

# Sentences, Phrases and Clauses: Session 2

<p><b>Preparation</b></p>	<p><b>Print Out and prepare:</b> <a href="#">Silly Sentences Activity Sheet</a>, <a href="#">Clause Chase Game Cards</a>, <a href="#">Confused Clauses Activity Sheet</a>, <a href="#">Complex Sentence Fortune Teller</a>.</p> <p><b>Resources:</b> 1-6 dice, pens/pencils, whiteboards and pens.</p>
<p><b>Warm-Up</b></p>	<p><b>Silly Sentences</b> Give children <a href="#">Silly Sentences Activity Sheet</a> and 1-6 dice. Roll the dice to create silly sentences.</p> <p>Make children aware that they might need to add extra determiners or change the tense of the verbs but must keep the words they have chosen to create a sentence. Discuss whether they have created a statement, question, command or exclamation.</p> <p><i>Can children write and identify different sentence types?</i></p>
<p><b>Input</b></p>	<p><b>Clause Chase</b> Ask the children to give you a definition of a phrase and a clause.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>A clause is a group of words that contain a subject and a verb and can act as a sentence on their own (if a main clause).</i></li> <li>• <i>A phrase is a group of words that form part of a sentence.</i></li> </ul> <p>Using <a href="#">Clause Chase Game Cards</a>, play the game together. Discuss each phrase/main clause using the information provided on the answer sheet.</p> <p><i>Can children identify main clauses?</i></p>
<p><b>Apply</b></p>	<p><b>Confused Clauses</b> Ask the children to give you a definition of a main clause and a subordinate clause.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>A main clause (or it could be called a simple sentence) is a group of words that expresses one complete thought. Every main clause must contain a subject and a verb. They can also be called independent clauses.</i></li> <li>• <i>A subordinate clause provides extra information but cannot stand alone. It can begin with a subordinate conjunction or a relative pronoun. They can also be called dependent clauses.</i></li> </ul> <p>Give children <a href="#">Confused Clauses Activity Sheet</a> and ask them to classify clauses as main or subordinate.</p> <p>Then, children write their own complex sentences (including main and subordinate clauses) to describe the pictures.</p> <p><i>Can children classify main and subordinate clauses? Can children write complex sentences?</i></p>

<b>Assess and Review</b>	<b>Complex Conundrum</b> Use the <b>Complex Sentence Fortune Teller</b> (these can be made in advance if time is limited) to write sentences including a subordinate clause.  Can children write complex sentences?
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