

# Term: “Complex Sentences Are Punctuated Correctly”

## Definition:

Complex sentences are composed of 1 or more dependent clauses and 1 or more independent clauses. If the introductory clause is dependent, it should be separated by a comma from the independent clause. For example: Because road construction has hindered travel around town, many people have opted to ride bicycles or walk to work. If the dependent clause follows the independent clause, it should not be followed by a comma. (See <http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/566/02/> for more examples)