

A **simple sentence** has one independent clause, or one group of words that can stand alone and expresses a complete thought. A simple sentence will have at least a subject (noun) and a predicate (verb).

Example: The black dog ran swiftly around the yard.
The dog and cat slept soundly on the rug.

Identify the simple sentences by writing "simple sentence" on the line if the words make a simple sentence, otherwise, write "phrase" on the line.

1. I could hear thunder in the distance.

2. The beach house was demolished in the hurricane.

3. Opened a box of pasta for lunch.

4. I finished my homework early.

5. Mary and Jane laughed out loud.

6. I dug up the potatoes and carrots.
