A complex sentence contains an independent clause plus one or more dependent clauses.

(dependent clause)

Example: Even though it was late, Kelsey wanted to stay up to watch the movie.

Directions: Turn the following simple sentences into complex sentences by using the subordinating conjunction in parenthesis.

1. We weren't able to go to the zoo. (because)

2. Caleb laughs at his younger brother. (when)

3. You may have a slice of cake for dessert. (after)

4. Amir hasn't been to the movie theater. (since)

5. Mrs. Henderson likes to watch television. (while)

6. Isabel has to work on her school project. (until)

7. I should get going to my doctor's appointment. (before)

8. Raquel will not be going to the party. (if)