**Novel Study- Once** 

# **Literacy Starter – Sentence Structure**

# **Sentence Types-**

### **Simple Sentence**

Anna ran to the shop.

A simple sentence has a *subject* to the sentence- *Anna* a <u>verb</u>- <u>ran</u> a clause- to the shop.

The clause contains a noun-shop.

#### Task

Re-write this sentence using two different verbs and two different nouns.

## **Compound Sentence**

A compound sentence simply adds another clause to a simple sentence. A compound sentence uses a conjunction or joining word to add another clause.

Anna ran to the shop because she was hungry.

#### Task-

- 1. What is the subject of the sentence?
- 2. Identify the two clauses in the sentence.
- 3. Which word is the conjunction?
- 4. Write two sentences that have a different compound clause for *Anna ran to the shop*.

5. Use the conjunctions 'because' and 'as'

Anna ran to the shop because she needed new shoes. Anna ran to the shop as she needed to buy new shoes.

Problems with compound sentences-

Using too many conjunctions.

Anna ran to the shop as she needed new shoes and while there she bought new stockings and a new hat because she lost her old one when she went out and saw her friends when she was sick and she got sad.

# **Complex Sentences**

A complex sentence consists of one or more main clauses and one or more subordinate clause.

The subordinate clause is not introduced using a conjunction.

Task-

Write a sentence about Anna that contains three clauses but only one conjunction.

Needing new shoes, Anna ran to the shop and bought some pumps.

Feeling incredibly hungry, Anna ran to the shop and bought a pie.

Task

Write complex sentences about 5 topics of choice.