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Worksheet: Complex Sentences

Make each pair of simple sentences into one complex sentence and retain the meaning as far as possible. (You can use “and” or “but” or “so”.)

Example: I visited the farm. I visited the little cottage. I visited the farm and the little cottage.

1. The lady read the newspaper. She also read the magazine.
2. The television broke. We brought another one.
3. The load was heavy. The horse pulled the load.
4. The boy was tired. He helped his mom wash the wares.
5. The boy caught a rabbit. He took it home.

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Example: I have a pet dog. I am very fond of it. I am very fond of my pet dog.

6. That is the man. He stole my purse.
7. The girl did not pass. She did not study.
8. The boy was riding a horse. It looked tired.
9. The house was destroyed. It was built by Tom’s father.
10. The boy caught a rabbit. He took it home.

Change the following complex sentences into simple sentences and retain the meaning as far as possible.

11. I saw him when the clock struck six.
12. I admit that I have made a mistake.
13. He asked me where I lived.
14. The man found a watch which was very valuable.
15. I can tell you how old she is.