Sentence Structure Champions with Max the Monkey

Learning objective: To identify and use different sentence structures, including simple sentences, compound sentences, and conjunctions.

Read the front of each flashcard to test your knowledge of sentence structure. Max the Monkey loves to build sentences like he builds puzzles! Use these cards to check if you can identify how sentences are put together.

What is a simple sentence?	**What is a conjunction?**
A simple sentence contains one main clause that makes sense on its own, with a subject and a verb.	A word used to connect clauses or words together, such as 'and', 'but', or 'so'.
What is a compound sentence?	**Which conjunction would you use to show a choice?**
A sentence that joins two simple sentences together using a conjunction.	'or'
Identify the conjunction in this sentence: Max ate a banana, but he was still hungry.	**True or False: A simple sentence must have a full stop at the end.**
'but'	True.
Combine these two sentences into one: Pip read a book. Pip ate a snack.	**Does a compound sentence contain more than one clause?**
Pip read a book and he ate a snack.	Yes, it contains two main clauses joined by a conjunction.
What does a subject do in a sentence?	**What is the verb in this sentence: The owl flies high.**
It tells us who or what the sentence is about.	'flies'
Which conjunction would you use to show a reason?	**Can you have a sentence without a verb?**
'because' (or 'so')	No, every complete sentence needs at least one verb to show an action or state of being.