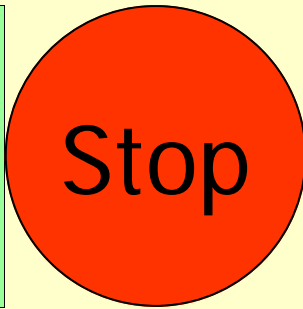


simple sentence

One clause



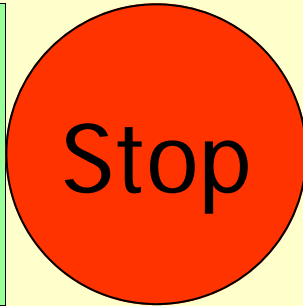
The tree **moved** in the wind .

compound sentence

One clause  
(independent)



another clause  
(independent)



The tree **moved** in the wind **but** the birds **held on** tightly .

and

but

or

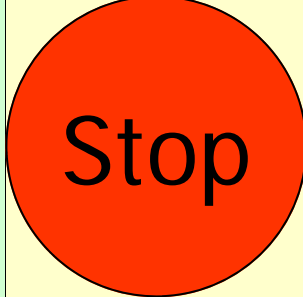
so

complex sentence

Main clause  
(independent)



another clause  
(dependent)



The tree **moved** in the wind **after** the birds **had flown away** .

because

since

after

although

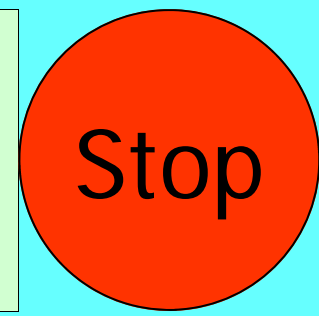
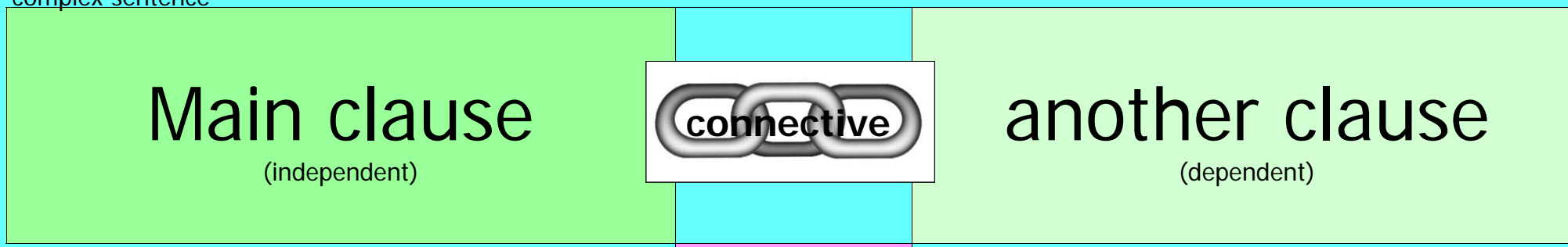
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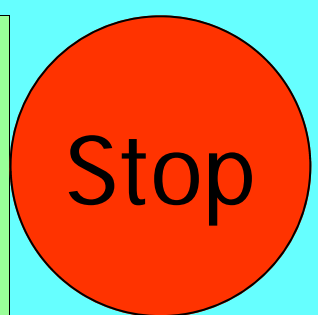
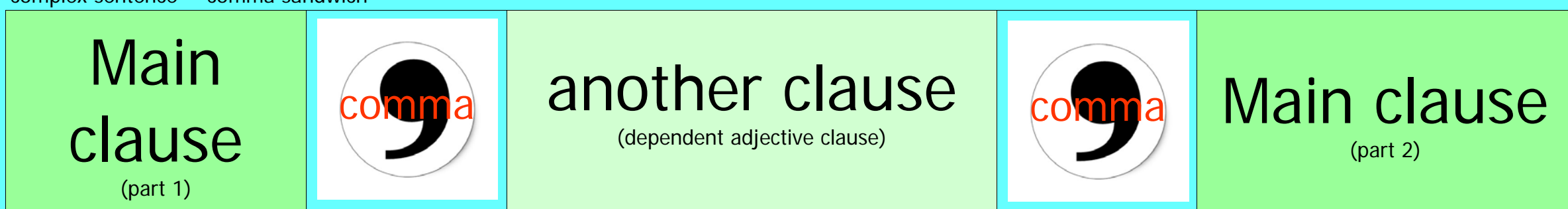
complex sentence



The tree **moved** in the wind **after** the birds **had flown away** .

- because
- since
- after
- although
- before
- who
- which
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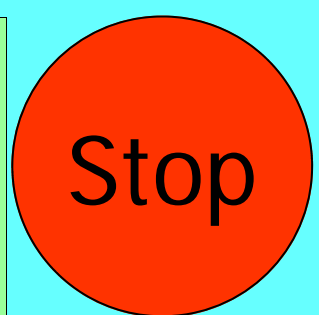
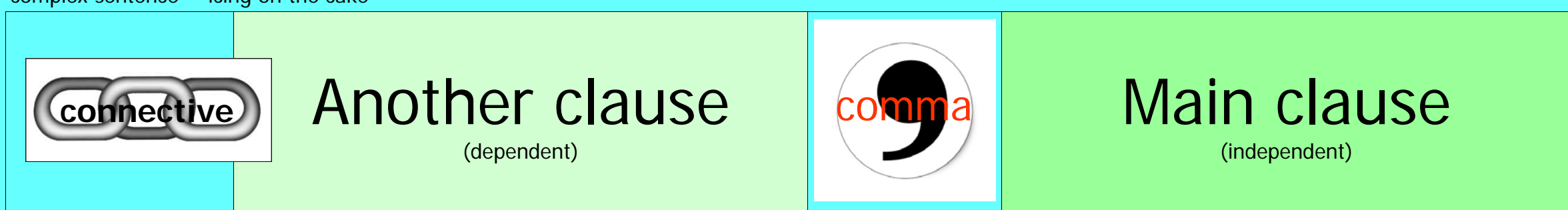
complex sentence - "comma sandwich"



The tree , which the birds **had left** , **moved** in the wind

- who
- that
- which
- where

complex sentence - "icing on the cake"



**After** the birds **had flown away** , the tree **moved** in the wind .

- because
- since
- after
- although
- before
- who
- which
- that