

Here is a story about a woodcutter and his wife.

It has been written using simple sentences.

Can you count how many sentences there are?



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You might not need all of these joining words!

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Can you find a joining word that will join the two parts of each sentence?

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