

Lesson 381

Mechanics - Punctuation - Semicolons

Use a *semicolon* between two *independent clauses* of a *compound sentence* when they are **not** joined by a *co-ordinate conjunction*.

Example:

There was a sudden silence; everyone was stunned by the outcome.

Instructions: Place *semicolons* where they are needed in the following sentences.

1. Carl is tall his brother is short.
2. He knocked several times no one came to the door.
3. The siren blew loudly I rushed to the window the police raced pass as I looked out.
4. I waited several hours for you you did not return I became concerned.
5. My sister loves mysteries my brother likes technical manuals.