

Lesson 382

Mechanics - Punctuation - Semicolons

Use a *semicolon* between the two *independent clauses* of a *compound sentence* joined by a *co-ordinate conjunction* if commas are also used in the sentence.

Example:

Although the story is impossible, I believe you; and the others will, too.

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

1. Since you asked my opinion, I will tell you and I hope you will listen well.
2. Although he is highly qualified, he is not dependable and I am afraid to hire him.
3. Because Sarah is absent a great deal, she has a hard time keeping up but she is willing to work overtime.
4. Although I prefer English, I know that math is important and I will work hard in both classes.
5. When you arrive on the train, take a taxi to the bus station or I can meet you at the train.