

SEMICOLONS



PUNCTUATION

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- ❧ *Semicolons are used to join two *related independent clauses* that are not joined by *co-ordinate conjunctions*.
 - ❧ That is, either the semicolon will join the two or the conjunction will, not both.
- ❧ Ex. He liked to eat meat once a day; she liked to eat only fish.
- ❧ Another (*rare*) use of semicolons is to set off **items in a series** that contain commas.

COLONS



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- ❧ *Colons are used to introduce a **list of items** set up by “**the following.**”
 - ❧ Remember to put *two spaces* after the colon.
- ❧ Ex. *Get the following* items at the store: **milk, bread, and sugar.**

***Yes, there are other uses of colons, but this is the most common in student writing.**

COLONS



- ❧ For example, use a colon to set up either a group of words or an independent clause that **explains** (*elucidates, clarifies, completes, rephrases*) the prior independent clause.
- ❧ In research writing, do this with **Direct or Block Quotes**.
 - ❧ I have one word to say to you: Enough!
 - ❧ When the school board began to bewail monetary problems, Estaban knew it meant one thing: school closings.
 - ❧ Some students dislike the practice of granting incompletes: they feel that such a custom rewards laziness and poor time management. (common practice does not cap. this clause)
 - ❧ In her book, *The Loss of Shame*, Dr. Jayne Smyth notes the shocking lack of modesty prevalent in today's society: "Direct Quote or Block Quote" (Smyth 22).

EXERCISES



COLONS & SEMICOLONS

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- ❧ ****Determine which book we're using this semester:**
- ❧ **LBE**
- ❧ **LBH**
- ❧ **LSH**
- ❧ **Other**

LBE EXERCISES

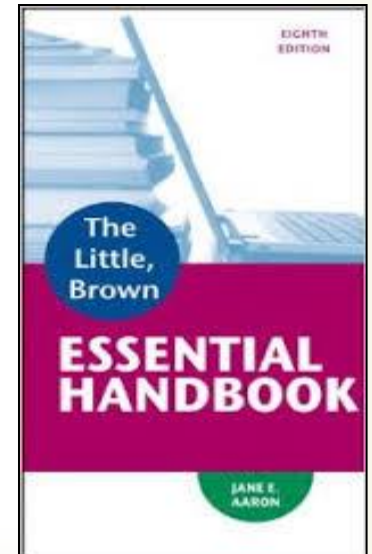


⌘ Semicolons:

⌘ Ch. 40 (Additional Ex. 1-2)

⌘ Colons:

⌘ Ch.41 (41.1-2)



LSH EXERCISES



∞ Semicolons:

∞ Exercise #1

∞ (5q.)

∞ Colons:

∞ Exercise #1

∞ (5q.)

