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Semicolons and Commas Worksheet

A semicolon is a punctuation mark indicating a pause, typically between two main clauses. It is more pronounced and has a pause slightly longer than a comma.

A semicolon can be used with a conjunctive adverb to connect sentences.

Directions: Use a conjunctive adverb from the word bank below to connect sentences with a comma and semicolon.

however

therefore

consequently

certainly

meanwhile

1. He came to the party. He had to leave early.

2. I will get my suitcase. You will also need to get your suitcase.

3. I am upset. You will get yelled at.

4. I believe he will win. He will win because he gives great effort.

5. Susan didn't pass her test. She did not graduate.

Answers:

1. He came to the party; however, he had to leave early.
2. I will get my suitcase; meanwhile, you will also need to get your suitcase.
3. I am upset; therefore, you will get yelled at.
4. I believe he will win; certainly, he will win because he gives great effort.
5. Susan didn't pass her test; consequently, she did not graduate.