**Semicolon**

1. Use to join **two closely related independent clauses**.
2. Use with a **transitional expression and/or a conjunctive adverb** to join two closely related independent clauses.
3. Use to separate **items in a list** that already contains commas.
4. Join **two independent clauses** together used with a coordinating conjunction *(for, and, nor, but, or, yet, so)*  if the beginning sentence **already uses a comma**.

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