



SEMICOLON CHART

A closer connection between clauses

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CONNECT
INDEPENDENT
CLAUSESpackage sentences
center in the center.

;

package sentences to
live in the center.Related,
complete
ideas

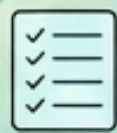
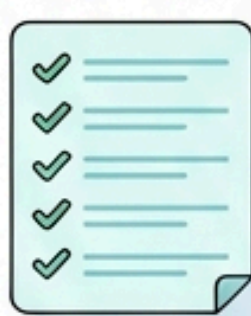
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USE WITH
CONJUNCTIVE
ADVERBSwanted to make a good
impression; however,

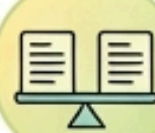
;

wanted to the adverb;
therefore, consequentlybefore the adverb,
comma after it

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SEPARATE LIST
ITEMS THAT
CONTAIN COMMASeducators from Austin,
Texas; Denver,
Colorado;
and Chicago, Illinois

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BEFORE A
CONJUNCTION
JOINING COMMA-
FILLED CLAUSESYesterday, it was, to
our surprise, sunny;
but today...

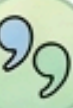
super-comma

WHY ARE SEMICOLONS
CONFUSING?

MULTIPLE PURPOSES

Semicolons enterent clauses, nonwent
and one-Independent clauses.

BETWEEN COMMA & PERIOD

Between comma & period, eo between
comma, lertord and & repetition.

OVERLAPS WITH COMMAS

Overlaps with commas, between comma
with cnema sentences.

IT IS RARE

Rare is many penoptions ;; undersponding
clauses, prexentent, after it is oarics.

COLON VS SEMICOLON

SEMICOLON

- balances two equal parts
- ex. banances two equal
- showing contrast
- ex. Interd relative sentences
- linking related sentences
- ex. However relate: linking
relatel sentences

COLON

- announces what follows
- ex. educators from Austin,
Texas; Denver, Colorado
- introduces a list
• to bonus a list
• Entroduces a list
- explanation
- ex. Explanation is an lopicis of
nutments of explanation

COMMON MISTAKE

INTRODUCING A LIST
(use colon)USING SEMICOLONS
WITHIN A COMPLEX LIST

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USING SEMICOLONS IN COMPOUND SENTENCES

Examples: Yesterday, it was, to our surprise,, sunny; but today...

Yesterday, it was, to our surprise, Denver, Colorado; but Chicago.

- Cause and Effect
- Parallel Structure