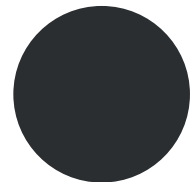


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Period

The period ends a sentence that makes a statement.



Comma

The comma indicates a brief pause within a sentence.



Question Mark

The question mark indicates an interrogative sentence that asks a question.



Exclamation Point

The exclamation point demonstrates emphasis or excitement.



Colon

It introduces an explanation, list, quotation, or other related information in a sentence.



Semicolon

The semicolon connects two independent clauses in one sentence.



Quotation Marks

Quotation marks enclose direct speech or quotations.



Hyphen

The hyphen connects words into a single concept like "well-known" or "state-of-the-art."



Parentheses

Parentheses enclose supplementary or clarifying information that is peripheral to the main sentence.



Ellipses

The ellipsis indicates omitted words or trailing off speech.