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Combining Sentences Semicolon 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 instead of a coordinating conjunction to join two related independent clauses.

Directions: Connect the sentences below by adding a semi-colon.

Example: When I win the game you will applaud me. I did my very best.

Answer: When I win the game you will applaud me; I did my very best.

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2. He is on vacation and will sun tan. He will have to wear sunblock.

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4. You seek for knowledge and wisdom. I hope that I will gratify you.

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