

Semicolons (Advanced)

Decide if a semicolon is appropriate in the sentences below. (Yes/No)

1. Amidst the highest treetops of the rainforest, monkeys swing from tree to tree; while, far below on the forest floor, tortoises bask in the sunshine.
2. Fletcher loves the NFL and all things related to football; accordingly, he entered a contest to be the youth announcer at the Super Bowl.
3. Martha's sixtieth birthday is coming up in January. Instead of receiving birthday presents or personal checks; she'd like people to donate to one of her favorite charities.
4. Given that it's July in Southern California, I didn't expect it to snow today; so I wore my jelly sandals and board shorts and received a vicious snowburn.
5. She is a great kid who has all kinds of hobbies and interests: soccer, hockey, and basketball; photography, painting, and calligraphy; and music, movies, and ballet.
6. I'm a huge caffeine addict. I can't recall how many cups of coffee I've had; but I'm jumping on the trampoline nonstop and am having the time of my life. Everyone around me loves my enthusiasm and joie de vivre.
7. The bowling alley is very full tonight because school is out; I wonder how long the wait will be.
8. Jordan is excited to visit as many cities in Europe as possible and her travel list includes Geneva; Switzerland; Lisbon; Portugal; and Milan; Italy.

9. The wizards are gathering in the park; whether they are there to hunt dragons, forage for herbs, or play footsie is unknown.

10. Despite its apparent age and sophisticated writing, the archaeologist discovered an artifact; experts now agree could only have been created fraudulently for some nefarious purpose.