

**WORKSHEET 7** Using Semicolons**EXERCISE A** Insert semicolons where they are needed in the following sentences.

- EXAMPLES**
1. The pre-Civil War period and the postwar period fell between 1850 and 1900; many of the events of that era had a profound effect on our country.
  2. Several interesting and important happenings took place between 1850 and 1900; for example, there were literary, cultural, and historical events.
1. Manufacturing helped the United States become a world leader in business in addition, business and agriculture grew as the population moved west.
  2. Novels published during that era include *Uncle Tom's Cabin*, by Harriet Beecher Stowe *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*, by Mark Twain and *The Red Badge of Courage*, by Stephen Crane.
  3. *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*, Mark Twain's sequel to *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*, further developed the character of Huck Finn and Huck, as well as the novel itself, has since become an American literary staple.
  4. Sojourner Truth was an abolitionist and women's rights advocate she dictated *Narrative of Sojourner Truth* around 1850.
  5. Other influential women of the era were Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, who became coleaders of the U.S. women's rights movement Clara Barton, who organized the American Red Cross and Harriet Beecher Stowe, who published *Uncle Tom's Cabin*, an influential novel about slavery.
  6. Alexander Graham Bell patented the first telephone in 1876 Thomas Edison invented the first phonograph in 1877.
  7. In 1863, President Abraham Lincoln delivered his short but forceful speech, the Gettysburg Address, at the dedication of a Civil War cemetery and by April 1865, Lincoln was dead, assassinated in Ford's Theater, Washington, D.C.
  8. Over in India, the British continued to rule the subcontinent as a result, a large-scale uprising against British rule, called the Sepoy Rebellion, occurred in the 1850s.
  9. In England, Charles Darwin published *Origin of Species* in 1859 in it, Darwin explained his groundbreaking theory of evolution.
  10. France's Gustave Flaubert published *Madame Bovary* in 1856 this classic realistic novel caused quite a sensation because of the moral issues it raised.

**EXERCISE B** In the following sentences, insert semicolons where they are needed.

**EXAMPLE 1.** Lillian Hellman was considered one of the finest dramatists of her time; her plays include *Watch on the Rhine*.

1. We rehearsed every afternoon every day our confidence increased.
2. Veena started for the telephone suddenly, she changed her mind.
3. I must get eight hours' sleep I feel miserable the next day otherwise.
4. Raisins are dried grapes prunes are dried plums.
5. We work hard on our lawn unfortunately, the results are very discouraging.
6. Hebrew reads from right to left Chinese reads from top to bottom.
7. Hay made from pasture grass is lower in protein than hay made from alfalfa and clover as a result, cows may be given a variety of feed.
8. The wise are so uncertain the ignorant are so positive.
9. A blanket produces no heat it merely retains the heat of the body.
10. Education must include the whole person otherwise, it is not true education.
11. Dad was issued a new computer at work the mouse, however, won't be delivered until sometime next week.
12. We had hoped, by the way, to leave on time we have plans for the evening.
13. John Updike's successful novels include the following books in his Rabbit series: *Rabbit, Run*, 1960 *Rabbit Redux*, 1971 *Rabbit is Rich*, 1981 and *Rabbit at Rest*, 1990.
14. Later, the detective found the old files and began reviewing the evidence he felt that something had not been checked out thoroughly.
15. The farmer herded the sheep into the next field he left the cattle where they were.
16. On our vacation we drove to Washington, D.C. we stopped along the way to see the Liberty Bell in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and the museums in Baltimore, Maryland.
17. Jasmine and Li are practicing their roles for tomorrow's mock debate if you are interested, they will be the first pair to argue their case.
18. For the next two weeks, I will be working on my math fair project I have been able to keep my topic a secret so far.
19. Three great Russian writers whose works appeared during the last half of the nineteenth century are Leo Tolstoy, author of *War and Peace* Fyodor Dostoyevsky, author of *The Brothers Karamazov* and Anton Chekhov, author of *The Sea Gull*.
20. The golf tournament was interrupted by a weather delay thunderstorms moved into the area.