LEVEL 5 - SEMICOLONS AND CONJUNCTIVE ADVERBS

Directions: When else would you use semicolons? Aside from separating two complete sentences or with a conjunctive adverb, there is one other reason you may see a semicolon: in long, complicated lists.

**If commas are already present in a list, you may need to use semicolons to separate main ideas or groups for clarification.

Directions: Place commas appropriately to avoid confusion!

1.) The school specializes in three fields of study: economics, the study of the economy philosophy, the study of thought and anthropology, the study of mankind.

2.) The answers to the test are: 1, A 2, D 3, F and 4, B.

3.) The group was composed of three young people: Mary, who was 32 years old Javier, who was 28 years old and Ming, who was 17 years old.

4.) On the trip, we drove through Tampa, Florida Wichita, Kansas and Fresno, California.

5.) I am currently taking Spanish, which I enjoy math, which I find difficult and psychology, which is my favorite subject.

6.) The following people were invited: Tim, my cousin Erik, a good friend Sandy, a neighbor and Belinda, my sister-in-law.

7.) I have several favorite athletes: in basketball Bill Russell in baseball Hank Aaron in tennis Martina Navratilova and in boxing Muhammad Ali.

8.) He's taking algebra, which he's good at biology, his least favorite subject and drama, for fun.

9.) On the table were three piles: meat, chicken and fish rice, bread, and pasta and spinach, broccoli, and kale.

10.) At Halloween we gave out Reese's, Snickers, and Crunch bars, gumballs, caramels, and taffy, and apples and candy corn.