

**Punctuation Quiz #4 (page 1 of 2)**  
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The sentences in this exercise have varied structures and need different kinds of punctuation. An online handout has an overview of punctuation rules: [www.ccri.edu/writingcenter/pdfs/punctuation.pdf](http://www.ccri.edu/writingcenter/pdfs/punctuation.pdf).

For each sentence, circle a, b, or c to indicate the correct way to punctuate the sentence.

1. A studying environment should include helpful items a desk a comfortable chair a computer writing utensils paper and books.
  - a. A studying environment should include helpful items: a desk, a comfortable chair, a computer, writing utensils, paper, and books.
  - b. A studying environment should include helpful items, a desk, a comfortable chair, a computer, writing utensils, paper and books.
  - c. A studying environment should include helpful items' a desk, a comfortable chair, a computer, writing utensils, paper, and books.
2. When some people study they love music others need a quiet peaceful space.
  - a. When some people study, they love music; others need a quiet, peaceful space.
  - b. When some people study, they love music, others need a quiet peaceful space.
  - c. When some people study, they love music: others need a quiet, peaceful space.
3. While reading people can learn about content vocabulary sentences and grammar.
  - a. While reading, people can learn about: content, vocabulary, sentences, and grammar.
  - b. While reading; people can learn about: content, vocabulary, sentences, and grammar.
  - c. While reading, people can learn about content, vocabulary, sentences, and grammar.
4. The computer and stacks of paper were on the small desk consequently Mary did not have too much room to write notes while she was reading a book.
  - a. The computer and stacks of paper were on the small desk; consequently, Mary did not have too much room to write notes while she was reading a book.
  - b. The computer and stacks of paper were on the small desk, consequently, Mary did not have too much room to write notes while she was reading a book.
  - c. The computer and stacks of paper were on the small desk, consequently Mary did not have too much room to write notes, while she was reading a book.
5. In just three hours not only did Mary finish writing twenty one pages of notes but she also began to write her paper.
  - a. In just three hours not only did Mary finish writing twenty one pages of notes, but she also began to write her paper.
  - b. In just three hours, not only did Mary finish writing twenty-one pages of notes, but she also began to write her paper.
  - c. In just three hours, not only did Mary finish writing twenty-one pages of notes but she also began to write her paper.

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6. After Mary had finished her research paper she drove to the CCRI Knight Campus 400 East Avenue Warwick Rhode Island 02886.
  - a. After Mary had finished her research paper she drove to the CCRI Knight Campus, 400 East Avenue, Warwick, Rhode Island 02886.
  - b. After Mary had finished her research paper, she drove to the CCRI Knight Campus, 400 East Avenue, Warwick, Rhode Island 02886.
  - c. After Mary had finished her research paper: she drove to the CCRI Knight Campus, 400 East Avenue, Warwick, Rhode Island 02886.
  
7. On July 1 2018 Mary placed her paper on a table near other students papers.
  - a. On July 1, 2018, Mary placed her paper on a table near other students' papers.
  - b. On July 1 2018, Mary placed her paper on a table near other students papers.
  - c. On July 1, 2018; Mary placed her paper on a table near other students' papers.
  
8. Most college campuses have delightful intriguing bookstores where textbooks are available for purchase.
  - a. Most college campuses have delightful intriguing bookstores: where textbooks are available for purchase.
  - b. Most college campuses have delightful, intriguing bookstores; where textbooks are available for purchase.
  - c. Most college campuses have delightful, intriguing bookstores, where textbooks are available for purchase.
  
9. The community colleges bookstore has books notebooks clothing gifts and writing utensils pens pencils and markers.
  - a. The community colleges bookstore has books, notebooks, clothing, gifts and writing utensils (pens pencils and markers).
  - b. The community college's bookstore has: books, notebooks, and writing utensils: pens, pencils, and markers.
  - c. The community college's bookstore has books, notebooks, clothing, gifts, and writing utensils (pens, pencils, and markers).
  
10. Interesting textbooks when carefully read can result in learning a courses content.
  - a. Interesting textbooks, when carefully read, can result in learning a course's content.
  - b. Interesting textbooks when carefully read, can result in learning a courses content.
  - c. Interesting textbooks, when carefully read, can result in: learning a course's content.