

Review: Following Basic Conventions

Name _____

Date _____



Answer each of the following questions.

- Which of the following sentences uses incorrect punctuation?
 - Where is the store located?
 - What's for dinner!!
 - Lisa lives next door to me.
 - I am going to be the main character in a play!
- What type of punctuation mark do you need to use before a coordinating conjunction to join two or more simple sentences?

comma

- Which of the following words should be capitalized?
 - england
 - lake michigan
 - michelle
 - lord of the rings
 - All of the above

- Circle the correct words in parentheses.

More (than, then) (two, too) inches of snow is expected this afternoon.

- Circle the correct words in parentheses.

(To, Too) much time has (passed, past) to reach the (capital, capitol) building on time.

- What two parts are needed to form a complete sentence?

A sentence must have a subject and verb (and must express a complete thought).

- What is a comma splice? How can you fix a comma splice?

A comma splice occurs when two sentences are joined by a comma but no coordinating conjunction (and, but, or, nor, for, so, yet). One way to fix a comma splice is to add a coordinating conjunction after the comma. Another way is to replace the comma with a semicolon. A third way is to replace the comma with a period and capitalize the next word.
