

# PUNCTUATION SUMMARY

.	period	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Used at the end of a sentence</li> <li>2. Used in abbreviations</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-I ate all the chocolates and felt sick.</li> <li>-Thank you for all of your help.</li> <li>- Mr. S. Kohner lives in Baie-Comeau.</li> </ul>
,	comma	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Used to separate words in a list</li> <li>2. Used to separate words and numbers in dates and addresses.</li> <li>3. Used to separate thoughts</li> <li>4. Used in speech/dialogue</li> <li>5. AAAWWUBBIS</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-I like chicken, sausages and hamburgers.</li> <li>-The apples, which were red, had worms in them.</li> <li>-I asked, "Who's there?"</li> <li>- The pig was born in Montreal, QC on Nov. 29, 1999.</li> <li>- After he finished eating, he excused himself.</li> </ul>
:	colon	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Used to introduce a list</li> <li>2. Used after a greeting in a letter</li> <li>3. Used between the numbers showing time</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Here's what you must bring: a swimsuit, a towel and a lunch.</li> <li>- Dear Mr. Kohner:</li> <li>- 1:30 p.m.</li> </ul>
;	semicolon	Used to combine two sentences together without using linking words (and, but, so, then...)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- I waited for the bus; I was becoming impatient.</li> <li>- The roses were red; the violets were blue.</li> </ul>
?	question mark	Used at the end of a sentence that asks a question	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Where are you going?</li> <li>- What are you doing?</li> <li>- How did you manage to disappear like that?</li> </ul>
!	exclamation	Used to show strong emotion or feeling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- That comment was so stupid!</li> <li>- Watch out! The roof is caving in!</li> <li>- Happy Birthday!</li> </ul>

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'	apostrophe	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Used in contractions</li> <li>2. Used to show possession</li> <li>3. Used instead of numbers</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Sarah's house</li> <li>- Isn't that Sarah's house?</li> <li>- I couldn't believe my eyes!</li> <li>- The summer of '99 was the best ever!</li> </ul>
" "	quotation marks	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Used before and after words that show conversation.</li> <li>2. Used for special words or slang</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- He said, "Please wait for me."</li> <li>- "Wait!" I exclaimed. "I have an idea!"</li> <li>- "From what I can see, I think we are lost."</li> <li>- "Look at the beautiful boat," she said.</li> <li>- He asked Jo, "What are you going to do?"</li> <li>- The cake she made for me was "special".</li> </ul>
()	parentheses	Used to add information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Entries are due by May 21. (Entries received later than that date will not be accepted.)</li> <li>- The boy (who had lost his tooth) cried when the tooth fairy did not leave any money.</li> </ul>
-	hyphen	Used when using prefixes, compound words, or when denoting numbers with words.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- thirty-eight; seventy-two</li> <li>- mind-boggling; two month-old kittens; well-tuned</li> <li>- grass-seed;</li> </ul>
—	dash	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Used in phone numbers</li> <li>2. Used to indicate a range of numbers</li> <li>3. Used to indicate a break in thought or to set an appositive off from the rest of the sentence</li> </ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 418-296-2832</li> <li>- Read pages 39 - end</li> <li>They want to visit Montreal - I can understand why.</li> <li>- There is no more room - out you go!</li> </ul>