

Punctuation Pattern Sheet

#1 Independent clause .

#2 Independent clause ; Independent clause . (no punctuation = run-on sentence)
(a comma = a comma splice)

#3 Independent clause ; therefore , Independent clause .
conjunctive
adverb { however
nevertheless
consequently
furthermore
moreover

#4 Independent clause , Independent clause .
coordinating
conjunction { for
and
nor
but (FANBOYS)
or
yet
so

#5 Independent clause , his heart beating wildly , clause .
of course
I believe
on the other hand
it seems
who knows me well

#6 If dependent clause , Independent clause . (no independent clause = fragment)
subordinating
conjunction { Because
Since
When
While
Although
After
Even before

#7 Independent clause if dependent clause .
subordinating
conjunction { because
since
when
while
after
even before
although

#8 Independent clause : a , b , c .