## **Punctuation: The Semicolon;**

- 1. Use a semicolon between clauses joined with a conjunctive adverb. (<u>i.e.</u> however, therefore, nevertheless, consequently, etc.)
  - Example: She didn't study for the test; however, she did very well.
- 2. Use a semicolon between two independent clauses not joined by a coordinate conjunction.
  - Example: John enjoys golf; his wife prefers tennis.
- 3. Use a semicolon to separate items in a series when each item contains two or more pieces of information set off by commas.
  - Example: He was pleased with the new staff of officers: Donna Cole, President; Vic Taylor, Vice-President; Tom Walker, Secretary and Lynn Heinz, Treasurer.

## *Insert a SEMICOLON in the appropriate places.*

- 1. I must have more support I don't have enough votes to get elected to the council.
- 2. Richard ate the same meals for two weeks: breakfast French toast lunch spinach salad and dinner chicken pot pie.
- 3. My car is old and unreliable however I intend to keep it for another year.
- 4. The travel plans were made our suitcases were packed we were finally on our way to Hawaii.
- 5. The telephone rang continually no one answered it.
- 6. He missed several weeks of classes consequently, he did not qualify for the time extension in that course.
- 7. I was really impressed by that production of *Carmen* however, I thought that some of the sets could have been improved.
- 8. We travelled to Vancouver by train travelling through the Prairies and the Rockies was an unforgettable experience.