

Using Semicolons

Decide which underlined word should be followed by a semicolon. If the sentence is correct as it is, choose *correct*. Mark your answer on the answer sheet.

1. I just finished reading the book *Out of the Dust* I thought it was very good.
A *Dust* **C** reading
B book **D** *correct*
2. The book was written by Karen Hesse it was set during the Dust Bowl.
A set **C** written
B Hesse **D** *correct*
3. The story was very interesting, it taught me about history, too.
A taught **C** me
B interesting **D** *correct*
4. I read many books during summer break my mom takes me to the library.
A me **C** break
B summer **D** *correct*
5. The librarian helps me find a good book, but I find some on my own, too.
A find **C** me
B book **D** *correct*
6. I like fiction books the best they let me use my imagination.
A fiction **C** me
B best **D** *correct*
7. I think it's neat when books, like *Out of the Dust*, combine facts with fiction.
A facts **C** books
B neat **D** *correct*
8. I have been reading for years Mom says I've always loved books.
A says **C** years
B reading **D** *correct*
9. When I was younger, I read books in the *Boxcar Children* series.
A younger **C** *Children*
B books **D** *correct*
10. I do very well in English class my brother is better at math than English.
A English **C** class
B math **D** *correct*
11. Sometimes he helps me with math, and I help him with English.
A me **C** math
B and **D** *correct*
12. He likes to read some things, science fiction stories are his favorite kind.
A fiction **C** read
B things **D** *correct*
13. Sometimes we share books, but he usually doesn't want to read mine.
A Sometimes **C** books
B share **D** *correct*
14. There are some things we share for example, I wear his T-shirts!
A things **C** example
B share **D** *correct*
15. We also share our friends Trey is a good friend to my brother and to me.
A share **C** friends
B Trey **D** *correct*
16. Trey is our next-door neighbor we all grew up together.
A door **C** we
B neighbor **D** *correct*
17. Trey likes to read, too he reads a lot of books about sports.
A books **C** too
B read **D** *correct*
18. I told Trey to read *Maniac Magee* the story includes a lot of baseball.
A *Magee* **C** Trey
B story **D** *correct*