

Using Colons and Semicolons

Decide whether the underlined word in each sentence should be followed by a colon, a semicolon, a comma, or nothing. Mark your answer on the answer sheet.

1. There is a winter concert today the students will perform.
A colon **C** comma
B semicolon **D** *nothing*
2. They will sing winter favorites and songs that represent the following holidays Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, and Christmas.
A colon **C** comma
B semicolon **D** *nothing*
3. They will perform for the school in the afternoon the evening performance is for family and the community.
A colon **C** comma
B semicolon **D** *nothing*
4. The afternoon performance is free but admission for the evening performance is two dollars for adults.
A colon **C** comma
B semicolon **D** *nothing*
5. Admission for children and senior citizens is one dollar.
A colon **C** comma
B semicolon **D** *nothing*
6. It is a full concert that includes the school band along with the choir.
A colon **C** comma
B semicolon **D** *nothing*
7. The band will include flute, clarinet, tuba, drums, guitar, bass, and keyboards.
A colon **C** comma
B semicolon **D** *nothing*
8. Jackson plays the guitar but he might play the bass for a few songs.
A colon **C** comma
B semicolon **D** *nothing*
9. Lindsay has a solo in one song her sister Lauren sings solo in another song.
A colon **C** comma
B semicolon **D** *nothing*
10. Everyone in Lindsay and Lauren's family has nice singing voices!
A colon **C** comma
B semicolon **D** *nothing*
11. The afternoon concert will begin at 2 00.
A colon **C** comma
B semicolon **D** *nothing*
12. The concert will be over in time for students to get on the buses after school.
A colon **C** comma
B semicolon **D** *nothing*
13. The evening performance begins at 7 00.
A colon **C** comma
B semicolon **D** *nothing*
14. The audience is encouraged to come early the school will sell refreshments.
A colon **C** comma
B semicolon **D** *nothing*
15. Before the concert, you can buy any of the following items pizza, soda, and water.
A colon **C** comma
B semicolon **D** *nothing*
16. Event organizers ask that audience members be in their seats by 6 45.
A colon **C** comma
B semicolon **D** *nothing*
17. Mr. Yao will host the show he will also direct the choir.
A colon **C** comma
B semicolon **D** *nothing*
18. The audience should be quiet when he faces the choir but they can applaud when he faces them.
A colon **C** comma
B semicolon **D** *nothing*
19. The evening show will probably last a bit longer than the afternoon show.
A colon **C** comma
B semicolon **D** *nothing*