Sentence Pattern Sheet

1. [Independent clause] **.**   (An **independent clause** is a complete sentence).

2. [Independent clause] **;** [Independent clause] **.** (Clauses are closely related)

3. [Independent clause] **;** [therefore] **,** [Independent clause] **.**
however
nevertheless
consequently
furthermore
moreover

> **Clause:** A group of words that has a subject and a verb.
>
> **Phrase:** A group of words that does NOT have a subject and a verb.

4. [Independent clause] **,** for [Independent clause] **.**
and
nor
but
or
yet
so

5. [Independent] **,** [NE phrase or clause] **,** [clause] **.**
of course
on the other hand
laugh**ing** like a hyena
his heart beating wildly
OR

[Independent Clause] **,** [NE phrase or clause] **.**
which…
as…
-ing…

(non-essential phrases/clauses: not essential to the meaning of the sentence and can be removed).

6. [**If** dependent clause] **,** [Independent clause] **.**

After	Before	Though	Whenever
Although	Even though	Unless	Where
As	If	Until	Wherever
Because	Since	When	While

7. [Independent clause]   [**if** Dependent clause] **.**

after	
since	that
when	before
while	although
because	

8. [Independent clause] **:** [A] **,** [B] **,** and [C] **.** **or** [Independent clause] **:** [Independent clause] **.**

(Use when the second clause explains the first.)

9. "English is my favorite class**,**" he said.
He said**,** "English is my favorite class."
"English**,**" he said**,** "is my favorite class."
"English is my favorite class**,**" he said**.** "I love to read and write."
He asked**,** "What is your favorite class?"
Who said (that) English is their favorite class?
Who said**,** "English is my favorite class"?

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>
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10. [Introductory phrase/transition] **,** [Independent clause] **.**

Swimming rapidly,	First,	For example,
Living close to school,	Suddenly,	Furthermore,
The next day,	In the novel,	After the dance,