

**ENGLISH 151A**  
**Sentences: Part 8 (Writing Compound Sentences)**

**Combine each pair of simple sentences, and write a compound sentence. Use a coordinate conjunction, a conjunctive adverb, or just a semicolon.**

1. Gold is a precious metal. People have valued it throughout history.  
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2. Gold does not rust. Gold objects from ancient tombs often still shine.  
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3. Gold is a soft metal. It can be shaped into a variety of forms.  
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4. Gold conducts electricity well. Silver and copper are better conductors.  
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5. Jewelry has long been made from gold. Coins also have also been made from gold.  
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6. The gold in jewelry is measured in karats. Pure gold is 24-karat gold.  
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7. About two-thirds of all gold is made into jewelry. It is also used in electronic devices.  
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8. Gold is found in many places on earth. It usually occurs with other metals.  
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9. There is gold in seawater. The cost of extracting it is too expensive.  
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10. The largest gold field is in South Africa. Gold is mined in many places.  
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11. A gold strike was in Nevada in the 1960s. An open pit mine still operates there.  
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12. In the Middle Ages people tried to turn other metals into gold. They are alchemists.  
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13. The Spanish sought gold in the Americas. They had heard of a land rich in gold.  
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14. There have been many gold rushes. Most people don't strike it rich.  
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15. There was a gold rush to California in 1849. Alaska had a gold rush in the 1890s.  
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