Celebrate National Punctuation Day
Friday, September 24

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Here’s a great idea for celebrating National Punctuation Day this year. Write a haiku poem and enter a Haiku Contest. Winning entries will receive a plethora of punctuation goodies from the day’s founder, Jeff Rubin.

How do you enter the contest?

Send your best Haiku 5-7-5 (syllables, that is) poetry to Jeff@NationalPunctuationDay.com by September 30 to be included for prizes.

These three Haiku examples came from Craig Harrison, one of the best trainers and prolific writers around.

- Which colon to use? Colon or semi-colon? I’ll use a comma.
- Exclamation points. Some people just love to shout, In print and in speech.
- Serial comma. What is your philosophy? To use or not to?

Did you know?

In 2006, National Punctuation Day® founder Jeff and his wife, Norma, began performing Punctuation Playtime® assemblies in elementary schools. Punctuation Playtime® has been performed nearly 75 times in schools from California to Chicago to New York. Punctuation Playtime® is a 45-minute program for children in grades K-6. Punctuation Playtime® features games, activities, and storytelling—even a rap song—to reinforce important punctuation lessons in an effort to enhance children’s reading, writing, and communication skills.

How can you celebrate Punctuation Day?

2. Organize punctuation activities at your school, library, or office.
3. Share punctuation peeves at Jeff@NationalPunctuationDay.com.
4. Send photos of incorrectly punctuated signage to Jeff@NationalPunctuationDay.com.

Jeff presents more ideas in The Exclamation Point!- Fall 2010 ezine. To get your PDF copy, email him at Jeff@NationalPunctuationDay.com with The Exclamation Point! in the subject line.