

WEEKLY DOSE OF BRAILLE SUMMARY OF THE RULES OF PUNCTUATION

1. The order in which punctuation marks occur in print should be followed in braille.
2. Punctuation signs that are connected with a word (including all quote signs, whether simple or compound and all forms of brackets) should be brailled unspaced from that word, no matter how the symbols are spaced in the print.
3. Two or more punctuation signs in sequence are written unspaced from one another.
4. The components of two-cell signs must NOT be divided.
5. It is **permissible to have a string of lower punctuation signs without an upper sign**. The Lower Sign Rule applies only where lower contractions form part of the sequence.

EXAMPLE:

...! ⠠⠠⠠⠠

..." ⠠⠠⠠⠠

6. Use a grade 1 symbol indicator before a punctuation sign that could be misread as a contraction or another symbol

Grade 1 symbol indicator dots 56

EXAMPLE:

a:o ⠠⠠⠠⠠

b!d ⠠⠠⠠⠠

"?" ⠠⠠⠠⠠

.com ⠠⠠⠠⠠⠠⠠ The period could be read as the contraction dis

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