Closing mark	Double or single quotation marks*	Parentheses or brackets [†]
Period	Inside	Inside or outside; see 6.13
Comma	Inside	Outside
Semicolon	Outside	Outside
Colon	Outside	Outside
Question mark or exclamation point	Inside or outside; see 6.10	Inside or outside; see 6.70, 6.74
Em dash	Inside or outside; see 6.84	Outside

TABLE 6.1. Punctuation relative to closing quotation marks and parentheses or brackets

*See also 6.9, 6.70, 6.74. †See also 6.53, 6.96, 6.99, 6.101.