

Commas, colons and Semi colons

Part 1: Insert the missing punctuation

Add **commas**, **colons**, or **semicolons** in the correct places.

1. I bought apples, oranges, bananas and grapes.
2. She was tired she hadn't slept well the night before.
3. He has three pets a dog a cat and a rabbit.
4. You need to bring the following items pencil ruler notebook and calculator.
5. My brother plays football my sister prefers basketball.

Part 2: Choose the correctly punctuated sentence

Tick (✓) the sentence that is punctuated correctly in each pair.

- a) I packed socks, shoes; a jacket, and gloves.
b) I packed socks, shoes, a jacket, and gloves.
- a) She brought lunch; a sandwich, an apple, and a drink.
b) She brought lunch: a sandwich, an apple, and a drink.
- a) Tom is funny, he always makes me laugh.
b) Tom is funny; he always makes me laugh.
- a) We visited these cities: Madrid; Rome; and Athens.
b) We visited these cities: Madrid, Rome, and Athens.

Part 3: Add the correct punctuation (comma, colon, or semicolon) to each sentence.

1. After we finish our homework_____ we can go to the park.
2. Please bring the following items to the field trip_____ a water bottle, sunscreen, and a hat.

3. James enjoys playing basketball____ his sister prefers soccer.
4. The storm brought heavy rain____ thunder, and lightning.
5. The teacher made an announcement____ "Everyone needs to turn in their projects by Friday."

Part 2: Choose the correctly punctuated sentence.

1. a) After dinner, we had dessert: ice cream, cookies and brownies.
b) After dinner we had dessert: ice cream, cookies, and brownies.
c) After dinner, we had dessert: ice cream, cookies, and brownies.
2. a) I have three favorite subjects in school; math, science, and art.
b) I have three favorite subjects in school: math, science, and art.
c) I have three favorite subjects in school, math, science, and art.
3. a) The dog barked loudly; the mailman walked away quickly.
b) The dog barked loudly, the mailman walked away quickly.
c) The dog barked loudly: the mailman walked away quickly.
4. a) Please bring your notebook, pencil and ruler to class.
b) Please bring your notebook, pencil, and ruler to class.
c) Please bring your notebook: pencil, and ruler to class.
5. a) We visited many cities during our vacation: Paris, Rome, and London.
b) We visited many cities during our vacation; Paris, Rome, and London.
c) We visited many cities during our vacation, Paris, Rome, and London.