

Semi-colons

Semi-colons are sometimes used in lists instead of commas when the items in the list are made up of more than one word (NB: you can also put a semi-colon before 'and' to make it really clear):

My mum brought me some treats back from her shopping trip: a beautiful, linen-covered notebook for my home learning; a packet of my favourite, Colin the Caterpillar sweets; and a new, green T-shirt.

They are also used to connect two complete sentences that are on the same theme:

I love my new, green T-shirt; it is really soft and comfy.

Write 4-6 sentences about your experiences during lockdown that include a semi-colon, either in a list of longer items or to connect two sentences on the same theme.

EG I have enjoyed doing yoga each morning; it has helped me to feel clear-headed to start my day's work.

EG At the weekends, I have painted the woodwork in my hall; weeded the garden paths; cleaned my kitchen cupboards; and cleaned most of the windows!