

Semi-colons

Using semi-colons for lists

Put semi-colons and commas to make this list clear.

- I packed my bag and in it I put my toothbrush the one with the splayed bristles my sponge the real one I was given for my birthday my comb the black one my teddy bear I know I shouldn't need him now clean undies enough for two nights pyjamas the new ones and a bar of chocolate for comfort.

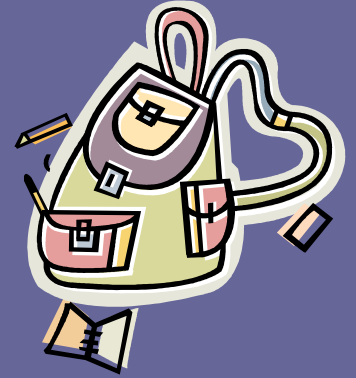


Did you punctuate correctly?

- I packed my bag and in it I put my toothbrush, the one with the splayed bristles; my sponge, the real one I was given for my birthday; my comb, the black one; my teddy bear, I know I shouldn't need him now; clean undies, enough for two nights; pyjamas, the new ones, and a bar of chocolate for comfort.



Now practise making your own complex list of items. Aim for at least five items.



Begin:

I packed my school bag and in it I put



Semi-colon exercise.



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