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Semi-colons are used to separate clauses. One of the ways they can be used is when separating a list of clauses. This is similar to the way we use a comma to separate a list.

Example: I wasn't exactly afraid; I was just worried for your sake.

**Add the semi-colons to these sentences:**



1. The cat was large it was the size of a small dog.
2. Sophie was good she was the best-behaved girl in the class.
3. Leon was adventurous he was always planning expeditions.
4. I like playing in the garden especially when it is sunny.
5. I really enjoy literacy I particularly like reading interesting texts.

**Now complete these sentences by adding a second clause and separating the clauses with a semi-colon:**

6. Cakes and sweets are delicious.....  
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7. I like playing games.....  
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8. Cats are furry animals.....  
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9. Every weekday I come to school.....  
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10. There are nine planets in our Solar System.....  
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See if you can re-write these passages adding semi-colons in the correct places.

Example:

Bob the Builder looked around his workshop and noticed a bag of hammers; several cans of paint; some paintbrushes and a dusty ladder, all of which needed tidying up.

1. To make a delicious cake you need to add three large eggs 400g of self-raising flour 400g of caster sugar 400g of butter or margarine, this is best if left out to warm a little and a pinch of salt



2. When the gardener looked around the allotment he beheld a wondrous sight. There were runner beans hanging in bunches like grapes the green tufts of carrots sprouting in neat rows a crown of rhubarb on which puddles of rainwater had collected. He couldn't believe how he had grown so many beautiful crops.

3. The teacher sorted out the equipment she would need to take home with her that night. There was a large bag of books a pencil case a large bundle of worksheets and a set of notes for next week's lessons. She sighed as she lifted them into her car.

