

Colons, Semi-Colons and Dashes

1

Read the sentences below.

Tick the sentence which uses a **dash** correctly.

Tick **one** box.

Kath watched — the sun rise the sky was completely orange.

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Kath watched the sun rise the sky was — completely orange.

1 mark

2

Read the sentences below.

Tick the sentence which uses a **colon** correctly.

Tick **one** box.

The bridge was shut: for the day there had been an accident.

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The bridge was shut for the day there had been: an accident.

1 mark

3

Read the sentence below. Insert the missing **colon** so that the sentence is punctuated correctly.

The United Kingdom is made up of four nations Scotland,
England, Northern Ireland and Wales.

1 mark

4

Read the sentence below. Insert the missing **semi-colon** so that the sentence is punctuated correctly.

Umair looked at his phone he found three new text messages.

1 mark

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5

The sentence below is missing a **dash**.
Tick **one** box to show where the dash should go.

Harold could tell it was Halloween all the shops were selling pumpkins.

1 mark

6

Read the sentences below.
Tick the sentence which uses **semi-colons** correctly.

Tick **one** box.

Damon ordered a bowl of pasta; a (large) slice of garlic bread; and a glass of apple juice.

Damon ordered a bowl of pasta a (large) slice of garlic bread; and a glass of apple juice.

Damon ordered; a bowl of pasta, a (large) slice of garlic bread, and a glass of apple juice.

Damon ordered a bowl of pasta, a (large) slice of garlic bread; and a glass of apple juice.

1 mark

7

The sentence below is missing a **punctuation mark** in the place the arrow is pointing at. Which punctuation mark should be used?

I need to buy the following items a birthday card, a present and a stamp.



Tick **one** box.

semi-colon

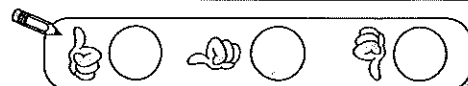
dash

colon

full stop

1 mark

"I can use colons, semi-colons and dashes correctly."



Adding Extra Information

1

Read the sentences below.
Tick the sentence that uses **dashes** correctly.

Tick **one** box.Morgan — a qualified doctor checked — the man's pulse. Morgan a qualified doctor — checked the man's — pulse. Morgan — a qualified doctor — checked the man's pulse. Morgan a qualified doctor checked — the man's — pulse.

1 mark

2

Read the sentence below. Insert **two commas**
so that the sentence is punctuated correctly.

John asked Cindy his brother's best friend whether

she was planning to run a marathon that year.

1 mark

3

Read the sentence below.
Explain why a pair of **brackets** has been used in this sentence.

The hill above the town (a short walk from the post office)

gives a good view of the surrounding countryside.

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1 mark

"I can use brackets, dashes and
commas to add extra information."



Hyphens and Bullet Points

1

Read the sentences below.
Tick the sentence which uses a **hyphen** correctly.

Tick **one** box.

- Imran finished the race in a record-breaking time.
- Imran finished the race in a record breaking-time.
- Imran finished the race in a-record-breaking-time.
- Imran finished the race in a record-breaking-time.

1 mark

2

Read the sentence below.
Write what Owen buys as a list of **bullet points** below.
Make sure you use correct punctuation.

At the gift shop, Owen buys a T-shirt, a cushion, two postcards and four coasters.

At the gift shop, Owen buys:

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1 mark

3

Read the sentence below.
Insert the missing **hyphen** so that the sentence is punctuated correctly.

Samantha is friends with an actor and a well dressed businessman.

1 mark

"I can use hyphens and bullet points."

