

Mark schemes

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Award 1 mark for a correctly placed semi-colon.

There are Roman ruins near our village; they are being excavated next week.

1 mark

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Award 1 mark for the correct response.

- *semi-colon*

Also accept plausible misspellings and responses that do not use a hyphen, e.g.

- *semicolon*
- *semi colon*

1 mark

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Award 1 mark for a correctly placed semi-colon.

Frank would like to go to Cornwall next summer; he might also visit France in the spring.

1 mark

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semi-colon 

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Award 1 mark for a correctly placed semi-colon.

Come and see me tomorrow; I will not have time to see you today.

1 mark

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Award 1 mark for two commas and a semi-colon in the correct places.

Last Wednesday, we performed a play at school; I invited my parents to come and watch. When I first went on stage, I was so nervous that I nearly forgot my lines.

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Award 1 mark for the correctly placed colon.

Joshua had mastered two new skateboarding skills: he could do a perfect aerial jump and execute a complete 180 degree turn.

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I bought several beach toys: a bucket, a spade, a ball and a kite.

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Award 1 mark for a correctly placed colon.

The school offered three clubs for its pupils: art and craft, dance and chess.

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Tom needed to think carefully about his homework it

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looked very difficult.

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Award 1 mark for a correctly placed colon.

There are two places that I have always wanted to visit: the Arctic and Antarctica.

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I find baking tricky – there are too many things to go wrong. ☒

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African elephants are the largest animals in the world they can weigh up to 10

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Award 1 mark for a comma and a dash correctly inserted.

Before we leave school, our class wants to start a vegetable garden – the first in our school's history.

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The man grabbed his coat – it looked cold ☒
and windy outside.

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Award 1 mark for a correctly placed dash.

It was a very exciting lesson – we learnt how parachutes work and designed one of our own.

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Award 1 mark for the one correct box ticked.

The class teacher praised the well behaved and helpful group of year six children.

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Award 1 mark for a hyphen and comma correctly inserted.

My grandmother is a ballroom–dancing champion, poet and singer.

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There are thirty seven-year-olds in Class 2.

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The sugar-free lollies are available in three flavours.

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Award 1 mark for two correctly placed hyphens.

The children have been busy cooking some healthy sugar-free snacks and learning some well-known traditional songs for visitors to enjoy.

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