## Punctuation: Using the Semicolon

- Circle the area where there should be a colon and insert the colon in the correct spot. (Sometimes either the comma or semicolon could be used, for this exercise, we will use the semicolon.)
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  - 2. I'll need to do the following today: take out the trash pay my hydro bill water my plants and shop for groceries.
  - 3. My dog hates dog food he loves eating my dinner.
  - 4. I hate doing math homework I love doing art homework.
  - 5. This summer I'm: going hiking taking a cruise and relaxing!
  - 6. I don't like orange soda I much prefer a cola.
  - 7. I got an A on my English assignment I really studied hard.
  - 8. I don't like going to the gym in fact, I cancelled my membership.
  - 9. I had to use my brother's golf clubs I forgot my clubs at home.
  - 10. Neither of us can speak French we had to get a translator.

## ANSWFRS:

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