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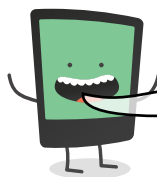I understand how colons are used in sentences. | LessonID: 309

Colons introduce things. They could introduce a list, an explanation or even a quote. It's important to remember that colons come after main clauses, which must make sense by themselves. For each question below, tick the sentence that correctly uses the colon.

☐ I was given several gifts for my birthday a ball: a game and some chocolate.
☐ I was given several gifts for my birthday a: ball, a game and some chocolate.
☐ I was given several gifts for my birthday: a ball, a game and some chocolate.
☐ I was given several gifts: for my birthday, a ball, a game and some chocolate.

☐ Ben has three pets a: hamster (called Freddie), a cat and a lizard.
☐ Ben has three pets: a hamster (called Freddie), a cat and a lizard.
☐ Ben has three pets a hamster (called Freddie): a cat and a lizard.
☐ Ben has three: pets a hamster (called Freddie), a cat and a lizard.

☐ Paul: was pleased with the result "I can't believe I won!"
☐ Paul was pleased: with the result "I can't believe I won!"
☐ Paul was pleased with: the result "I can't believe I won!"
☐ Paul was pleased with the result: "I can't believe I won!"

Complete each of the sentences below, making sure you add suitable words after the colon. Remember, colons introduce things, so there must be a strong link with the first part of the sentence.

A jam sandwich is made with three main ingredients: ....
....

Sally was excited about the summer holidays: " ....
.... "

The house had many things wrong with it: ....
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