

# Application Activity

I can write my own sentences using semi-colons, colons and dashes.



1. Write out the following passage of text inserting the missing **semi-colons**, **colons** or **dashes** where you think they could go.

- a) A brand new theme park is set to open its gates to the public for the first time this weekend. Flamingo Towers is regarded by some experts at least as the crème-de-la-creme of British theme parks even rivalling some of those iconic parks in the USA.

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- b) Flamingo Towers will contain no less than fifty unique ride experiences for guests, including the following major thrill rides Barbara, a white knuckle high-speed moped race back in time 100, a hundred feet vertical drop down a disused mine-shaft and Villain, a dizzying spinning catapult through space.

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- c) Families with younger children will be equally satisfied with Flamingo Towers' state-of-the-art Toddler Turret a Patrick Pig themed castle with a different Patrick Pig character ride on every one of its six levels.

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- d) If you're feeling in need of a bit of relaxation after a busy morning riding, you might want to take a stroll around the vast gardens surrounding the park all are maintained by a dedicated team of professional gardeners Green Thumb Landscapes.

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- e) Peckish? Flamingo Towers has a restaurant to satisfy every taste-bud all offer a vast range of scrumptious dishes that all the family will enjoy. So don't delay book your tickets online now. You won't regret it!

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**Challenge:** Can you add an extra, short paragraph of your own describing another aspect of the park – such as a virtual queuing system - and use semi-colons, colons or dashes?

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1 Suggested Answers. Allow for variations where appropriate as long as the use of the punctuation is accurate.

- a) *A brand new theme park is set to open its gates to the public for the first time this weekend. Flamingo Towers is regarded - by some experts at least - as the crème-de-la-creme of British theme parks; it is even set to rival some of those iconic parks in the USA.*
- b) *Flamingo Towers will contain no less than fifty unique ride experiences for guests, including the following major thrill rides: Barbara, a white knuckle high-speed moped race back in time; 100, a hundred feet vertical drop down a disused mine-shaft; and Villain, a dizzying spinning catapult through space.*
- c) *Families with younger children will be equally satisfied with Flamingo Towers' state-of-the-art Toddler Turret; a Patrick Pig themed castle with a different Patrick Pig character ride on every one of its six levels.*
- d) *If you're feeling in need of a bit of relaxation after a busy morning riding, you might want to take a stroll around the vast gardens surrounding the park; all are maintained by a dedicated team of professional gardeners - Green Thumb Landscapes.*
- e) *Peckish? Flamingo Towers has a restaurant to satisfy every taste-bud; all offer a vast range of scrumptious dishes that all the family will enjoy.*
- So don't delay - book your tickets online now. You won't regret it!*