L.O. To use semi-colons to join clauses of equal weight.

Q1.

Insert a **semi-colon** in the correct place in the sentence below.

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

1 mark

Q2.

What is the name of the **punctuation mark** used between the two main clauses below?

My sister loves team sports; my brother, on the other hand, prefers individual sports - such as athletics.

1 mark

Q3.

Insert a **semi-colon** in the correct place in the sentence below.

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

1 mark

Q4.

Insert **two commas** and a **semi-colon** in the correct places in the passage below.

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.

1 mark

Mark schemes

Q1.

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

Q2.

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

Q3.

Award 1 mark for a correctly placed semi-colon.

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

1 mark

Q4.

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.