

How to Use a Semi-colon - Answers

Rewrite the examples, putting semi-colons in the correct places.

Example:

Cigarettes are dangerous they can kill.

Cigarettes are dangerous; they can kill.

1. First aid knowledge is vital it can save lives.

First aid knowledge is vital; it can save lives.

2. Water is essential without it you'll die.

Water is essential; without it you'll die.

3. Rhinos are endangered they are almost extinct.

Rhinos are endangered; they are almost extinct.

4. A good education is invaluable it can lead to future success.

A good education is invaluable; it can lead to future success.

5. Down time with your friends is important it can relieve stress caused by school work and study.

Down time with your friends is important; it can relieve stress caused by school work and study.

6. Rewrite the following paragraph, adding semi-colons where necessary.

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