What to do today

1. Read Rules of Participation
   - Read *Rules of Participation*. This is about the Flutag competition. Which do you think is the most important rule here?
   - Highlight the punctuation used in this writing. What is the name of each and what is it doing?

2. Revise using colons and semi-colons in lists.
   - Use the *Revision Card* or the *PowerPoint* to revise using colons and semi-colons in lists.

3. Practise using colons and semi colons in lists.
   - Look at *Crazy Competitions*. Which of these would you most like to see? Which would you most like to take part in?
   - Read *Crazy Competition Rules*. Choose one of these competitions and write the rules as a list introduced with a colon and with items separated by colons.
   - Try writing lists for two more competitions.

*Share your writing with a grown-up. Show them the punctuation that you have used.*

Try the Fun-Time Extras
   - Use the Internet to find out more about three of the Crazy Competitions.
Terms of Participation

The rules are as follows: all crafts must be built by the team; the maximum weight, including the pilot, is 180kg; all crafts must be pushed from the rear; chicken-wire, pyrotechnics, firecrackers and ropes are not permitted; and all team-members must be over 16.
Revision Card – Colons and Semi-Colons in lists

Colons in lists

**Colons** can be used to introduce lists.
We use them if the list comes after an *independent clause*.

*You may be required to bring many items:* custard pies, a towel and a change of clothes.
*I was most impressed by the following:* the size of the beards, the range of styles and the care that was taken.
*To be successful you should* try your best, listen to instructions and have fun.

"To be successful you should" is not an independent clause. We do not use a colon.

Semi-Colons in lists

**Semi-colons** can be used to separate items in lists.
We use them when it will make the list clearer.

*The sights we saw amazed us:* bright lights; babies, supported by their parents, in the centre of the arena; an enthusiastic, noisy, shouting crowd; and, watching carefully, a group of expert-looking judges.

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When the items in a list already include commas, it helps to use semi-colons.

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Crazy Competitions

World Beard and Moustache Championships

Black pudding throwing

Custard Pie throwing

Baby Crawling

Worm Charming

Toe Wrestling

Extreme Ironing

Hoop Rolling

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## Crazy Competition Rules

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| **Black-Pudding Throwing** | • Competitors have three turns each  
                           | • Yorkshire Puddings, arranged in piles of a dozen, are the target  
                           | • All throwing must be underarm                                    |
| **Custard-Pie Throwing**   | • Teams, made up of four members, are drawn against each other        
                           | • Every player, without exception, must throw with their left hand   
                           | • A player who misses three times has points deducted               |
| **Baby-Crawling**          | • Babies must be between six and twelve months old                    
                           | • Only one contest entry can be made per person, per contest         
                           | • Babies, whilst competing, must be wearing nappies                |
| **Worm-Charming**          | • Each competitor to operate in a 3 by 3 metre plot                   
                           | • Duration of competition is 30 minutes, starting at 2.30pm          
                           | • A piece of wood, smooth or notched, may be used to strike the handle of a garden fork |
| **Toe-Wrestling**          | • Players must remove shoes and socks before beginning                
                           | • Toes must be linked, with feet flat, before wrestling             
                           | • Rounds are played first with the right foot, then left, and right again if necessary |
| **Extreme ironing**        | • Only ironing boards of the standard size, 1m long and 30cm wide, are allowed |
                           | • The garment must be at least the size of a tea towel               
                           | • Plastic, wooden or model irons are not permitted                   |
| **Hoop-Rolling**           | • Teams can be male, female or mixed                                  
                           | • Teams are made up of five members                                  
                           | • The hoops must be controlled using hands, sticks or feet          |
Competition Rules

Write the rules as a list – introduced with a colon and with semi-colons separating each item.

You could start ‘The rules are as follows:’