

Name:_____Convention Kingdom Topic: Colons (Emphasis and Clarity)

BB	Question: What's your favorite saying/catchphrase?			
	Answer:			
	Directions: <u>Underline</u> any red or bold words that appear in the video.			
RW	What is a colon?			
	A punctuation mark (:) used to precede a list of items, a quotation, an expansion, or an explanation.			
	 A colon can be used in a variety of circumstances. Also, it has a multitude of rhetorical effects. Colons for Lists Colons for Quotes Colon for Emphasis 			
	You can use a colon to draw attention to many things in your writing. A colon means "that is to say" or "here's what I mean."			
	Colons for Emphasis and Clarity			
	Use a colon to join two independent clauses to explain or expand on the first			
	independent clause.			
	Example 1: Dino had one more thing to say to her: he did not want to travel to			
	Narnia.			
	Example 2: The reason he broke up with you is simple: you didn't save him from			
	the flamingo attack.			



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	The capitalizat	tion of an independent clause after a colon is optional in many
	cases.	
	Example 3: The	e yeti forgot one crucial detail: The desert was not the perfect
	living environm	
	Other capitaliz	ation rules
	 Capitali 	ze the first letter following a colon for a proper noun, the
	beginnir	ng of a quote, or the first letter of another independent clause.
	Do NOT	capitalize if the information following the colon is not a
	comple [.]	te sentence.
	Example: He w	vanted one more thing: fries.
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EA	Directions: In t	the next section, you will be given different sentences. Read
	each sentence	e and determine if it uses the colon correctly.
	Example: The r	reptile could not continue without telling his wife something
	important: He	loves her.
	Example: If the	ere is one thing to say: pineapples!
	Example: I alw	ays knew you had a special power: you can make anyone fall in
	love with you.	



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	Example: I have a few m	nore claims to posit to you: He stole the pasta!
	Example: When to say it:	ghosts.
AC	Directions: Write an origi the first clause.	nal sentence that uses a colon to clarify or expand on
	Your Answer: (see above	2)
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Extra Notes		