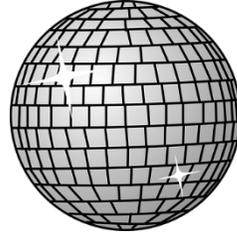


# Grammar revision

Colons

# Using Colons



**Colons** are used differently.

They introduce lists (including bullet points).

They also show a link between clauses, when *the second clause adds to the first*.

*I was very distracted. Your miming was off-putting.*

*I was very distracted: your miming was off-putting.*



*Your technique needs work: the jerks were worrying.*

*You have been unlucky: your change of partners is hard.*

Colons are used  
in formal  
writing.

The **colon** emphasises how the second clause expands on the first.

It links clauses like a subordinating conjunction. The second clause is *less important* than the first.

To link two clauses: replace the full stop with a **colon** and then use a lower case letter to start the second main clause.

# Using Colons

Your task

Mina went to the park.

Aiden watched the clouds.

The rain would begin soon.

It was the only place she could think.

Use a colon to link these sentences in pairs. Then think of your own sentences.

