

A comma is used to separate items in a list.



I like to eat apples, bananas, grapes and oranges.

Natasza wanted to visit Spain, Italy, Greece and Portugal.



A colon can be used to introduce a list. Don't use a verb before the colon.



I play the following sports: football, rugby, netball and tennis.

They come in four colours: red, yellow, green and blue.



A semi-colon can be used in lists. Semicolons are used to separate longer phrases in a list that already contain commas.



The children need to bring: a rucksack; a cup, a plate and a bowl; a knife, a fork and a spoon; and a tent.

(Note that a semi-colon is used before the final 'and'.)



Bullet points are also used to punctuate lists. See separate sheet.