Colons and Semi-colons

This task is about knowing when to use colons and semi colons.

a) Read each sentence and decide if it should have a colon. If it does, add the colon in the correct place.

i) In the box I found some real treasures three pencils, two rings, and a moa egg.

ii) After a tramp he wanted only one thing a hot shower!

iii) I like all kinds of food, especially hamburgers, milk shakes, and pies.

iv) HELP NEEDED baby sitter.

b) Each of the following punctuation marks has a certain strength according to the pause it represents.
Which list shows the punctuation marks arranged in order from the weakest pause to the strongest pause? *(Circle one)*

(A) Colon / semi-colon / comma / full stop
(B) Comma / colon / semi-colon / full stop
(C) Semi-colon / full stop / comma / colon
(D) Comma / semi-colon / colon / full stop

c) For each of the situations described below, indicate whether it is better to use a colon or a semi-colon by circling the correct term.

i) To join two closely linked sentences.	colon **or** semi-colon
ii) Before a list.	colon **or** semi-colon
iii) To break up lists.	colon **or** semi-colon
iv) To introduce an explanation or summary of the first part of a sentence.	colon **or** semi-colon

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