Colons and semi-colons task

Instructions for use: Fill out using Acrobat Reader then save to your PC once completed.

Question 1

Complete each sentence using either a <u>comma</u> or <u>semi-colon.</u>

1. The artist preferred to paint in oils _____ he did not like water colours.

2. Even when the house looks clean _____ there is usually a bunch of dirt swept under the rug.

3. I'm going to leave early today _____ unless the boss comes back from the meeting.

4. The computer can perform many calculations at once _____ however, it cannot reason at all.

5. In the first place, it was snowing too hard to see the road _____ in the second place, we had no chains.

6. Italy is my favourite foreign country _____ in fact, I plan on staying there for three weeks this summer.

7. The challenges are not impossible ___ but they are very hard to clear.

8. I'm going to do all of my English homework every night _____ because that's how you get an "A".

9. If he misses his appointment _____ he'll have to wait another six months to see the dentist.

10. There are many negative side effects to smoking ___ there are no positive side effects from smoking.

Question 2

Retype each sentence in the box below, adding in a <u>semi-colon</u> to complete the sentence.

I am hot I am wearing a sweater and a jacket.

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The president was very popular he easily won the election.

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I cannot buy a new car I do not have much money.

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Question 3

Retype each sentence in the box below, adding in a <u>colon</u> to complete the sentence.

Here is a famous saying by Mark Twain "Man is the only animal that blushes, or needs to."

The following students are to report to the head teacher's office Jones, Murphy, Jackson, and Scott.

John and Mohammed visited town for just one reason to go to the Art Fair.