Colons

Ex:

(colon)

He passed three <u>classes:</u> math, English, and P.E.

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He had only one <u>wish:</u> to graduate on time.

PRACTICE THE CONVERSATION:

A: Please read the sentence.

B: *He passed three classes: math, English, and P.E.*

A: Okay. Where is the colon?

B: Before *math, English, and P.E.*

A: Why would you use a colon there?

B: It shows that there is a list right after it.

A: Good! Now will you read the second example?

B: *He had only one wish: to graduate on time.*

A: Great. Why is there a colon in that sentence?

B: It's not a list. The colon here shows that the next thing is kind of like an announcement.

A: Exactly.