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Starting Point



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Feeling Happy

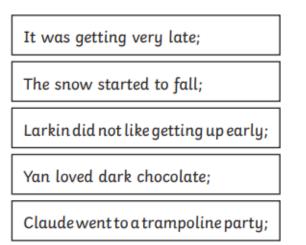
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- 2. Match the two related clauses and write out the complete sentences with a semi-colon.



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he ate it every day.

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his friend had invited him and two friends.

the sky was as white as a sheet.

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The snow started to fall; the sky was as white as a sheet.

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Yan loved dark chocolate; he ate it every day.

Claude went to a trampoline party; his friend had invited him and two friends.



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Hot Stuff



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Write a second related clause after the semi-colon in the sentences below:

6.	It was getting very late;
7.	Holly looked outside and saw that it was snowing;
8.	Larkin did not like getting up in the mornings;
9.	Yan loved dark chocolate;
10.	The birds were singing sweetly;