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Each sentence has a punctuation mark missing where there is a blank like this \_\_\_\_\_. In the blank you need to put the correct punctuation mark.

comma (,)            apostrophe (')            brackets ( )            semi-colon (:)            colon (:)

- 1) Many animals live in forests in temperate climates \_\_ foxes, deer, wolves, mice and owls.
- 2) Much of Europe \_s climate is temperate.
- 3) Most trees in temperate areas are deciduous \_\_ they lose their leaves in winter when there is less sunshine \_\_ .
- 4) Camels \_ who actually store fat and not water in their humps \_ live in the desert.
- 5) Despite being closer to the equator \_\_ tropical and deserts have drastically different weather conditions.
- 6) Many human activities are thought to worsen global warming \_ they produce a gas that causes it called carbon dioxide.
- 7) Without sunshine plants wouldn \_ t survive, as they need it to make food for themselves through photosynthesis.

Now you need to write your own sentence about weather and climate zones using:

- 8) a comma to mark a clause
- 9) two commas to show the filling in a sandwich sentence
- 10) an apostrophe for a missing letter
- 11) an apostrophe for ownership
- 12) brackets for a definition
- 13) a semi-colon
- 14) a colon

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### Answers

- 1) Many animals live in forests in temperate climates : foxes, deer, wolves, mice and owls.
- 2) Much of Europe 's climate is temperate.
- 3) Most trees in temperate areas are deciduous ( they lose their leaves in winter when there is less sunshine ) .
- 4) Camels \_ who actually store fat and not water in their humps \_ live in the desert. (could use brackets or commas)
- 5) Despite being closer to the equator \_ tropical and deserts have drastically different weather conditions.
- 6) Many human activities are thought to worsen global warming : they produce a gas that causes it called carbon dioxide.
- 7) Without sunshine plants wouldn't survive, as they need it to make food for themselves through photosynthesis.