Semicolon/Colon Quiz

Fill in each blank with a semicolon, a colon, a comma, or no punctuation.

1. Cicely did her trigonometry homework; Chip, on the other hand, spent the evening surfing the Web.

2. The military bases that Jean grew up on include Fort Meade, Maryland; Fort Carson, Colorado; and Fort Devens, Massachusetts.

3. The reason for Ivy's good grades is clear: she attends class and does her homework.

4. Here are four 19th-century English novels that every educated American should read: Jane Austen's *Pride and Prejudice*; Emily Bronte's *Wuthering Heights*; Charles Dickens's *Great Expectations*; and George Eliot's *Middlemarch*.

5. Many literary critics of the past dismissed the work of Edgar Allan Poe and H.P. Lovecraft as vulgar and immature; however, both writers have recently undergone a critical renaissance.

6. Whenever the kids were bored and moping around the house, their father, in his inimitable homespun way, would tell them: "Aw, go outside and get the stink blown off you."