Semicolons

A. Directions: Add semicolons to create sentences with two related independent clauses.

1. Most people will accept you as a newcomer; you just have to give them a chance.

2. She made peace with the move; New York City now feels like home.

3. I realize it must have been hard for a young woman to leave her children; no wonder she was always a little distant.

4. We lived in a neighborhood with lots of kids; we had a very large extended family.

5. Friends and family members came to the airport to wish us well; my grandmother gave me a flower on a bracelet for my trip.

B. Directions: Write two sentences using semicolons.

1. Example: I took my dog to the vet; she needed to have her nails clipped.

2. Example: Summer is almost here; I can’t wait.