Semicolons

Directions: Read the sentences and decide how you would rewrite each group of sentences using semicolons. Remember to change to lowercase letters when necessary.

1. Wealthy women stayed at home. They rarely went into workshops.
   Wealthy women stayed at home; they rarely went into workshops.

2. A votive figure was a small statue. Wealthy people paid to have votive lights placed inside a temple.
   A votive figure was a small statue; wealthy people paid to have votive lights placed inside a temple.

3. Ditanu nodded politely. He selected a suitable block of stone.
   Ditanu nodded politely; he selected a suitable block of stone.

4. The gods were not fools. They knew whom a statue was supposed to represent.
   The gods were not fools; they knew whom a statue was supposed to represent.

5. Ditanu understood. He still had nightmares about living with his uncle.
   Ditanu understood; he still had nightmares about living with his uncle.

6. Ditanu took up his chisel again. He carefully reduced the size of the votive’s nose.
   Ditanu took up his chisel again; he carefully reduced the size of the votive’s nose.

7. She pulled out a small leather purse. It made a clinking noise when she handed it to the boy.
   She pulled out a small leather purse; it made a clinking noise when she handed it to the boy.