

SENTENCE PATTERN #5  
A SENTENCE WITH A COLON

**\*\*REMEMBER THAT YOU CAN ONLY USE A COLON AFTER AN INDEPENDENT CLAUSE**

- USE A COLON TO INTRODUCE A LIST.

**WE GROW MANY VEGETABLES ON THE FARM:** BEETS, CORN, SPROUTS, PEPPERS, AND SQUASH.

- USE A COLON TO INTRODUCE ADDITIONAL EXPLANATION or AN IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

**AMERICAN FARMERS SOMETIMES STRUGGLE TO COMPETE ON THE GLOBAL MARKET:** PRODUCE FROM CHINA DRIVES DOWN DEMAND FOR AMERICAN GOODS.

- USE A COLON TO INTRODUCE A QUOTE.

**IN A STATEMENT RELEASED YESTERDAY, THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE COMMENTED ON THEIR PLAN TO SUPPORT AMERICAN FARMERS:** "AMERICA MUST SUPPORT ITS FARMERS, AND TO DO SO WE MUST IMPOSE A TARIFF ON IMPORTED PRODUCE THAT COULD BE GROWN RIGHT HERE ON OUR OWN SOIL."