The Colon Exercise

Add colons where they are needed.

1. There are only two things I have to do today water the plants and make sure my old grandmother gets to the doctor on time.

2. Nothing is written in stone the names of the conspirators the identities of the innocent ones the victims those who benefited all shift like the tide.

3. His next words were ship ahoy.

4. I'll tell you what to do get lost.

5. My favourite flowers are these the lilac the pansy the lily of the valley.

6. Jonathan Swift (1667-1745) is best known as the author of three satires A Tale of a Tub (1704) Gulliver's Travels (1726) and A Modest Proposal (1729).

7. This was my advice to him write with fire.

8. Her wedding trousseau consisted of a mini-length white dress and a pair of sandals.

9. This was her one desire to marry a reincarnated James Dean.

10. There is only one science fiction writer in any language worth reading today Stanislaw Lem.

11. My father said "Never marry a millionaire."

12. These were his final words "Ten thousand dollars, and not a penny more."

13. The critic called the film "boring and uninspired."

14. She answered "Pass the cream."