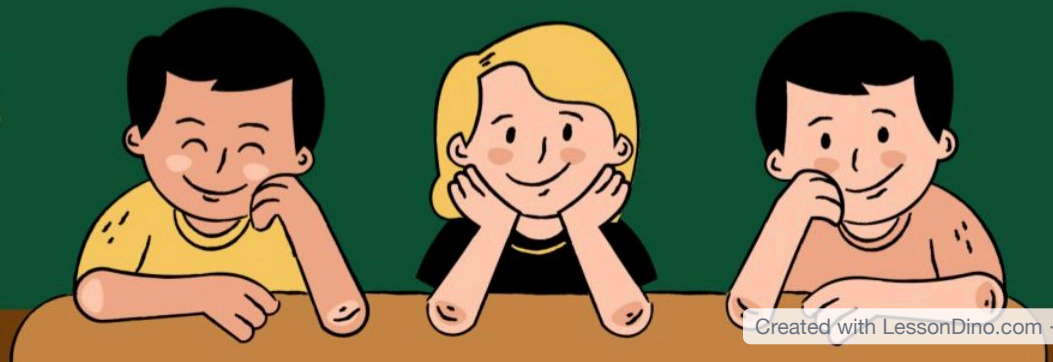
Commas in a Series

Make every list crystal clear!



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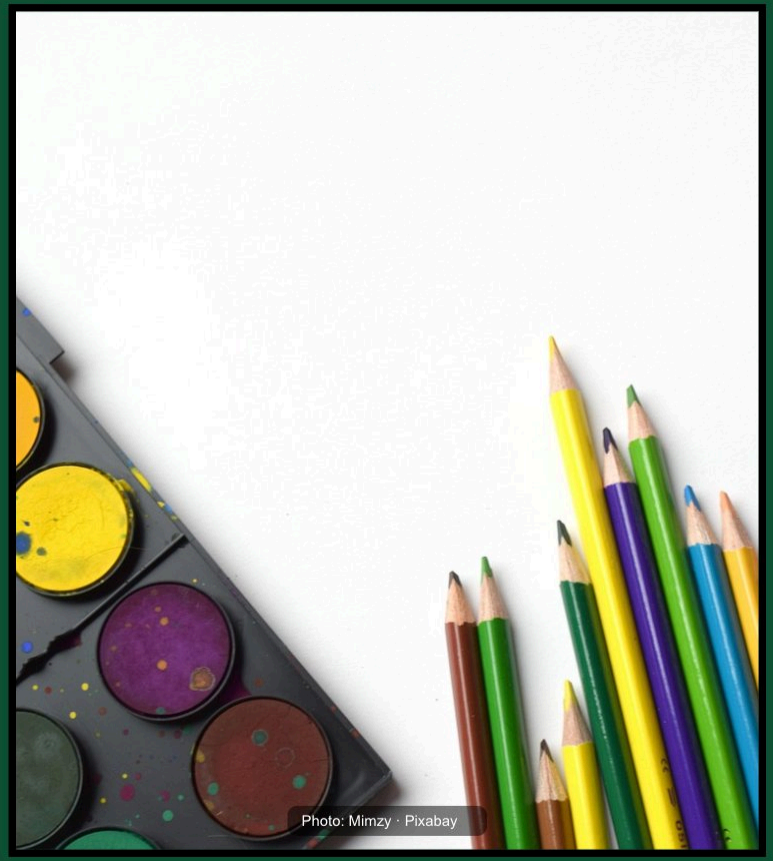
BIG IDEA

Commas split a list so each item stands alone.



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Muddle or Clear?

No Commas

- I need notebook paper and pens.
- How many things? Confusing!

With Commas

- I need notebook, paper, and pens.
- Three things. Easy to see!

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How It Works



Spot 3 or more same-kind items

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Put a comma after each one but the last

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Add and or or before last

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Read back — list is clear!

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Your Pick

Which snack list would you pack for lunch?

A apples, peaches, and bananas

B cheese, crackers, and grapes

C carrots, dip, and water

Vote with your hands, then explain why.

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Watch: Commas at Work



▶ 0:00 – 1:57

- Watch where each comma goes
- Count items — 3 or more?

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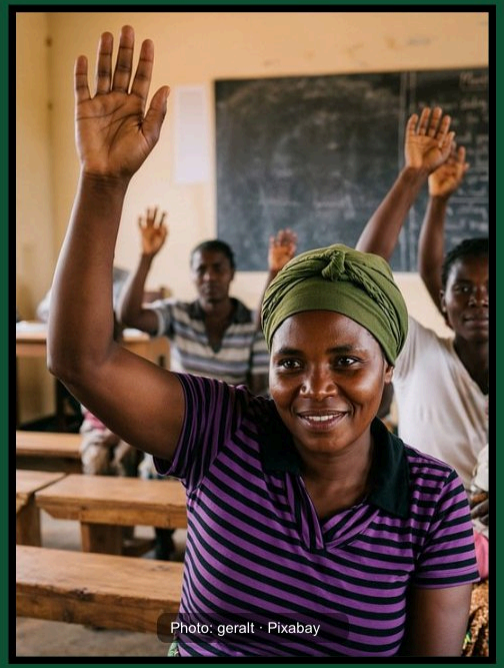
The Series Rule

- Series means 3+ items, same job.
- Put a comma after each but last.
- Use and or or before last item.



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Watch Again: Be the Expert



▶ 0:00 – 4:31

- Spot the comma before and
- Say the list out loud with pauses

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Your task

In pairs, rewrite the two lists with commas in the right spots.

1. Fix: We ran jumped and laughed.
2. Fix: She packed pens glue and scissors.
3. Read aloud with pauses.

10 min

In pairs

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Where Can Series Show Up?



- single words
- longer clauses
- with or

Series Lists

- short phrases
- with and

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What could this be?

How can commas change a panda's story?



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Exit ticket

1. One thing I learned about series today...

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2. Write one list with commas correctly.

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