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Using Commas

To Separate Items in a Series

A **comma (,)** can be used to separate items in a series of three or more items.

examples: The flag is red, white, and blue.
The woods are filled with deer, squirrels, and chipmunks.

Directions: Read each sentence. Put commas in the correct places in each sentence.

1. Would you like to read watch television or go to bed?
2. Pugs beagles and terriers are all small dog breeds.
3. Jim Fred Kelly and Kara will go bowling on Friday night.
4. Would you rather have pizza hamburgers or hot dogs for dinner?
5. Dolphins live in the Pacific Atlantic and Indian Oceans.
6. We are going to the grocery store to get cookies soup eggs and butter.
7. Don't forget to empty the trash vacuum the carpet and wash the windows.
8. The paper scissors and pencils belong in the top drawer.
9. Would you like me to paint your bedroom walls green blue gray or white?
10. It's time to do your homework do your chores and practice the piano.
11. The sand castle needs a moat windows and a drawbridge.
12. Every cat bunny and dog in the animal shelter needs a good home.

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Use a comma after the greeting of a letter.

Examples:

- ⇒ Dear George, How are you?
- ⇒ Dear Sara, Will you marry me?



Use a comma to separate items in a series.

Examples:

- ⇒ Dad bought eggs, milk, and bread at the store.
- ⇒ You will see the monkey, the tiger, and the snake at the zoo.

Rewrite the following sentences. Add commas where they are needed.

1. Dear Cathy Thank you for the gift.

2. We like to run hike and ski.

3. Dear Sam I like you.

4. Do you want milk juice or water?

5. My friends are named Charlie Liz and Kitty.
