

RULE 1

Use commas before or after a quotation in a sentence.

Ex: “We can go together,” said James.

RULE 2

Use a comma after common introductory words in a sentence like *however, clearly, well, finally*.

Ex: Finally, we get to go outside!

RULE 3

Use a comma before a conjunction when connecting two independent clauses
(Remember FANBOYS.)

Ex: I love summertime, but I miss snow.

RULE 4

Use a comma to separate a city and state and the day from the year in a date.

Ex: Cleveland, Ohio

January 1, 2020

RUIE 5

Use a comma to separate things in a series.

Ex: My favorite candy bars are Hersheys, Kit Kat, Reeses, and Take 5.

RUIE 6

Use a comma to introduce someone in a sentence.

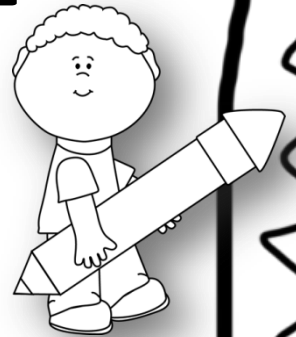
Ex: My best friend, Chloe, always makes me laugh.

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COMMAS RULE!

PRACTICE USING COMMA RULES 1-3



RULE #1—USE COMMAS BEFORE OR AFTER A QUOTATION.

- 1.) "I am coming to your house today" said Mike.
- 2.) "I will see you later" replied Katie.
- 3.) Bella said "It is my favorite day of the year!"
- 4.) Brett shouted "I can't wait to go to Disney World!"

RULE #2—USE A COMMA AFTER COMMON INTRODUCTORY WORDS IN A SENTENCE.

- 5.) Finally we get to go outside for recess!
- 6.) Clearly he was not ready to be the starting pitcher.
- 7.) Well I guess we will find out if Batman wins in the end.
- 8.) However I am not excited for the series to end.

RULE #3—USE A COMMA BEFORE A CONJUNCTION WHEN CONNECTING TWO INDEPENDENT CLAUSES.

- 9.) I absolutely love the sunshine but I do not like getting sunburnt.
- 10.) I will make sure to get my homework done and I will get all of my chores done.
- 11.) I do not like anchovies nor do I like mushrooms.
- 12.) I am going to the basketball game or I am going to the Superbowl.

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PRACTICE USING COMMA RULES 4-6

RULE #4—USE A COMMA TO SEPARATE THE CITY FROM A STATE AND THE DAY FROM THE YEAR IN A DATE.

- 13.) Wadsworth Ohio
- 14.) Chicago Illinois
- 15.) December 25 2013
- 16.) January 1 2020

RULE #5—USE A COMMA TO SEPARATE THINGS IN A SERIES.

- 17.) When I go to school I bring my backpack lunchbox and my keys.
- 18.) I brought games candy and my sleeping bag over.
- 19.) My favorite foods are pizza wings fries and ice cream.
- 20.) Make sure to clean your room dust the TV and sweep.

RULE #6—USE A COMMA TO INTRODUCE SOMEONE IN A SENTENCE.

- 21.) My best friend Celia is a great artist.
- 22.) Greg our postman always has to run from our dog.
- 23.) Our class president Dave had to give a speech at the assembly.
- 24.) My favorite band One Direction is coming to concert this summer!

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