

Commas

Commas in a Series

- Use commas to separate **three or more** words, phrases, or clauses in a series.

Example:

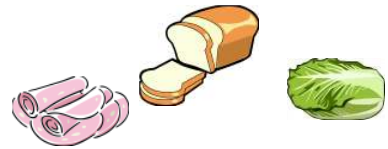
Words: I like apples, bananas, and oranges.

phrases: This afternoon my mom washed dishes, folded laundry, and baked oatmeal cookies.

Clauses: I am eight years old, and I am in second grade.

Directions: Add commas where necessary in the following sentences based on the rules above.

1. I need to buy turkey slices, bread, and lettuce.



2. Suzie has a cat, guinea pig, and a bunny.

3. I have to complete my homework, clean my room, and walk the dog.

4. Norah refused to sit with Casey because she was rude to her.

5. Baker bought the Christmas presents, wrapped them, and mailed them to his friends.



6. My favorite ice cream flavors are vanilla, strawberry, and chocolate.

7. I don't want to go to the park, or maybe I do.

8. I want to buy the new car, but it is too expensive.



9. George, Andrew, and Sam are working on a math project.

Separating items with commas

Answers

- _____ 1. The criminal escaped, stole the jewelry, and left the country.
- _____ 2. This video game is fun because you can build, create, and compete.
- correct _____ 3. Owen loves to watch this show and to play games.
- _____ 4. We are buying groceries, making dinner, and baking a cake for dessert.
- _____ 5. Where are you going to go to find apples, steak, and pepper?
- correct _____ 6. The soldier ran, lifted weights, and drank a lot of water.
- _____ 7. I accidentally slept too late, missed the bus, and arrived after the bell.
- _____ 8. Did you buy dinner for my mom, my dad, and my brother?
- _____ 9. Chicken, hamburgers, and lasagna are some of my favorite meals.
- _____ 10. Terry used to play football, act, and model for a living.