A comma can be used to separate three or more words in a list.

## I need brushes, paper, and paint for my art class.

In the sentences below, place a comma in the appropriate places to make them read correctly.

- 1. When Mom went to the store she bought apples bananas and oranges.
- 2. Bryan likes to play soccer baseball and basketball.
- 3. Trisha Stacy and Linda are all best friends.
- 4. Do you like red green and blue?
- 5. I bought chips cookies and candy for the birthday party.

## Write your own sentence using commas to separate three or more words in a list:

A comma is used between the day of the week, the date, and the year.

My soccer game is on Thursday, June 12, 2016.

Practice placing commas in the proper places in the dates below:

January 27 2010

**October 1 2009** 

Wednesday May 18 2000

Friday December 24 2003

September 29 2016

August 2 2014

Write your birthday (be sure to use the comma in the right place):

Commas are used after the greeting and closing in a letter.

Dear Aunt Mary,

Love, Taylor

Practice using a comma by writing a letter to someone special:

When two sentences are joined by connecting words such as and, but, and so -a comma is used before the connecting word.

Tim wears a hat, and he also wears gloves.

Sarah has a dog, but she also wants a hamster.

My Dad has a toothache, so he will go to the dentist.

In the sentences below, place a comma in the proper place **and** circle the connecting word:

- 1. Lisa works as a nurse and she also helps coach a soccer team.
- 2. Jimmy likes ice cream but he likes pizza better.
- 3. Rachel has a truck and she also has a blue car.
- 4. Haley has a doctor's appointment at 3:30 so she will leave her house at 2:45.
- 5. Alex's favorite color is red but he also likes gray.

Join two sentences together using a connector word **and** a comma: