Commas in a series:

Use commas to separate three or more words, phrases or clauses. 2 ways are acceptable: Circle the 3

similar words

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Commas and RUN-ONS:

Use a comma and a FANBOYS to fix a run-on:

EX. The party starts at 8:00, so don't be late. Taylor sits in class and eats candy all day, and I think it is making her hyper.

Practice

Add Commas where they are needed:

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- 2. After school I am going home to clean up my room wash dishes, and vacuum the floors.
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- 6. My sister never can decide whether she likes the vanilla or the chocolate chips so she usually settles for a mixture of both.
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- 8. My hostile neighbor likes to throw chairs knock over tables and kick walls when he gets upset.
- 9. Good looks tons of charm and loads of personality persuaded the fans to admire George's character on *Up in the Air*.
- 10. I get so tired from reading a long story that I don't feel like I can continue but then I remember that my grades are depending on it.
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