## Quickfire Commas

## We use a comma:

- to divide up items in a simple list (e.g. I had sausages, egg, bacon and beans for breakfast);
- after an introductory phrase at the beginning of a sentence (e.g. If you think you will be late, please let me know);
- to divide short phrases, or asides, from the rest of the sentence (e.g. I think, although I could be wrong, that he is called Ted).

## We do not use a comma:

• to separate two main clauses. Instead, use a connective or make them into two separate sentences.

There are many other rules for using commas, but these are the basics! Rewrite the following sentences, inserting commas correctly:

1. Jane Tom Adil Lana and Cho came to the party at Aaron's house.
2. Whether or not you have paid entry you cannot come in looking like that.
3. The house which had a blue door was set back from the street.
Now, write your own sentences using commas correctly. Include at least two of each of the examples in the bullet points above.