



Lesson 1: Commas

Tuesday: Commas with Compound Sentences

Use a comma before a conjunction (FANBOYS) only when there are complete sentences on both sides of the conjunction.

Example: This is the second week of school, and all the students are glad to be back.

Original:

Wednesday: Commas between Items in a Series

Use commas to separate three or more words, phrases, or clauses in a series. Notice that the number of commas used is one fewer than the number of items in the series.

Example: “He chewed, swallowed, wiped his mouth on the back of his hand, and began to reason with his brother.” *from "Blackmail" by Gary Soto*

Original:

Thursday: Commas between Adjectives

Use commas to separate adjectives of EQUAL rank; if the word and can be placed between the adjectives without changing the meaning of the sentence or if the order of the adjectives can be changed, the adjectives are of equal rank.

Example: Eighth grade will be a fun, exciting year.

Original:

Practice: Write a sentence which uses all three rules from this week.



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Scan the following QR code to have more practice on the correct use of commas.



You can also read the following pages in the textbook that you have at home to improve your knowledge of the correct use of commas!



Writing & Grammar
Pages 600-602