

Comma Practice



Use **commas** for lists, to **join** sentences, after **introductions** and for **extra information**.

Next week, let's go swimming. Bob, my neighbour, is very friendly.

We could walk, or we could run. You can have chips, mash or rice.

1 Put a tick next to the sentences that **use commas correctly** and put a cross next to the sentences that **don't**.

The Alps, a European mountain range, are popular with skiers.

The bus stops on King Street Russel Lane and Victoria Square.

At the beach, I had an ice cream and read my book.

The book, about electricity looks, quite difficult.

We tried to get tickets but, they had sold out.

Even if, I knew it I wouldn't tell you the answer.

My favourite fruits are apples, oranges, pears and strawberries.

I didn't have any money, so I couldn't buy any sweets.

Rewrite the **incorrect** sentences with **commas** in the right places.

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2 Underline the **subordinate clauses** and add **commas** where needed.

Many people came to the fair until it started to rain.

While she was shopping we prepared her surprise.

Even though I love most fruits I hate apples.

If I get home in time I'll start making our tea.

Although the pirate was very scary his parrot was hilarious.

You can help me with the decorations since you're so early.

Provided that you've brought your trunks we can go swimming today.

You can't go to football practice unless you've done your homework.

Remember — a **subordinate clause** doesn't make sense on its own.

3 Match each **main clause** with a **conjunction** and **another main clause**. Then write out the **complete sentences** below.

We played hockey	but	she can't sing
She can dance	so	you can eat later
You can eat now	and	he put his glasses on
He couldn't see	or	we won

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"I can use commas correctly."