

Using Commas in Lists

Use commas when 3 or more nouns, verbs or adjectives are listed. A comma is not needed when "and" is conjoining the last two words in the list, but is sometimes used.

Ex: Please bring a sleeping bag, food, water, a blanket and extra clothes on the camping trip.

Directions: Add commas in the appropriate places in the sentences below.

1. Before you leave, close the windows, turn off the stove, turn off the lights and lock the door.
2. She is polite, spontaneous, honest, quiet and well mannered.
3. The museum includes a reptile exhibit, a learning center and an aquarium.
4. Jenny, Sue, Ronald, Harry, Arthur, Carl and Stephanie were accepted as candidates.
5. Do not shout, yell, scream, laugh or whistle in the library hall.
7. To get to my house, make a U-turn on Wilson, a left on Regal and a right on Newman.
8. Swimming, going to the beach, flying a kite, surfing, hiking and having a picnic are great outdoor activities.
9. Before I go to sleep, I need to do my chores, make tomorrow's lunch, brush my teeth and take a shower.
10. The dog is soft, fluffy and small.
11. The recipe requires milk, eggs, flour, butter and sugar.
12. I will invite my brother, sister, cousins, distant relatives and work colleagues to my housewarming party.
13. The assignment is to read the passage, answer the questions and write a synopsis.
14. Team sports teach us communication, cooperation, commitment and unity.
15. Before Suzy plays in the snow, she puts on mittens, a hat, a jacket, boots and a scarf.
16. This year David visited Paris, Tokyo, New York, London and Alaska.
17. My family and I saw a cheetah, a monkey, an iguana, a bear and a giraffe at the zoo.
18. The movie is about betrayal, friendship, family and conflict.