Perfect Punctuation: Using Commas Correctly

Comma Rules!

Places where you would use commas:

- **a.** Listing a series. I ate a hot dog, ice cream, a burger, and soda.
- **b.** Before conjunctions. I slept all summer, but still felt accomplished.
- **c.** Before quotation marks. "I don't want summer to end," Kyle sighed.
- **d. After introductory elements.** As a child, my favorite part of summer was swimming in the lake.



Directions: Insert commas in the sentences below.

- 1. This summer I am going to read, play with friends, and go to the beach.
- 2. Watermelon, a refreshing fruit, is nice to eat on a hot day
- **3.** My ice cream, which is chocolate flavored, is melting fast.
- 4. I will miss my friends, but I will enjoy the break from school.
- 5. The baseball game, which started at 5, was the perfect way to spend a summer evening.
- **6.** While we were at the market, my mom and dad bought food for the July 4th barbeque.
- 7. "I would like to invite you to my pool party," my friend Veronica said.
- **8.** My brother, grandma, and aunt bought root beer floats



- **9.** Although I don't want to get sunburnt, I like laying out on the grass.
- **10.** Since we are expecting crowds at the boardwalk, we plan to arrive early.
- 11. Sunny Stroll, the local pier, is always a fun place to go during summer evenings.
- **12.** I bought new shorts, sunglasses, swimsuits, and tank tops for the summer weather.
- **13.** Our summer reading list includes Maniac Magee, A Wrinkle in Time, and Tuck Everlasting.
- **14.** I will be sad when summer ends, but I look forward to the new school year.