Sunctuate Me: Using commas

There are three main ways to use commas:

- 1. To separate words in a list or series **Example:** carrots, peas, and corn
- **2.** To separate a word at the beginning from the rest of the sentence **Example:** Yes, I like carrots.
- **3.** To set a person apart from the rest of a sentence **Example:** Lola, do you like carrots?



Part 1

Add commas where needed to the sentences below.

Hint: If you're stuck, read the sentence aloud and insert a comma wherever you pause.

- **1.** I bought celery lettuce and tomatoes at the grocery store.
- **2.** I made a salad with carrots beets and peppers.
- 3. Billy would you like some salad?
- 4. Well I don't like carrots.
- 5. I don't like peppers but I do like celery.
- **6.** I have tried broccoli avocado and radishes.
- 7. Do you like apples oranges or grapes in your salad?
- **8.** No I do not like fruit in my salad.

Part 2

Read the paragraph below. Add commas where they are necessary.

Making a salad is easy. First choose the vegetables you want to use. You might want to try lettuce tomatoes and carrots. If you use cherry tomatoes you won't even need to slice them. Next wash each vegetable thoroughly. Tear the lettuce into pieces and add as many tomatoes as you like. Finally ask an adult to help you chop the carrots.