

Simple commas notes: 12/8/20

1. use commas to separate 3 or more words, phrases, or clauses written in a series/list. The 3rd clause or item comma is optional if it has a conjunction before it, according to FANBOYS flipbook notes, but it doesn't hurt to just do it!!!!!!

2. According to the FANBOYS notes, commas are used to combine independent clauses (Complete sentences). Remember to use a comma and a conjunction, not JUST a comma.

3. Use commas to separate 2 or more adjectives that describe the same noun when the word "and" can be inserted between them.

4. Add a comma after the date or geographical locations (city, state, country) if it falls in the middle of a sentence. Also, a comma always goes between a city and a state (Arlington, Texas) and city and country (New Delhi, India)

5. Use commas to separate direct quotations from the rest of the sentence.

6. Commas in dates: Tuesday, December 8, 2020 (put a comma between the day and month)

7. Place commas after dependent clauses when they begin a sentence (see AAAWWUBBIS) notes and FANBOYS notes.

8. Use commas when directly addressing someone or something in a sentence. Titles of people are capital when directly addressed.

9. it would'nt hurt to still review the advanced commas and search online for videos and examples of each comma rule to get more practice.

Simple commas: examples

The president promised to lower taxes, ✓  
protect the environment, and reduce crime. ✓  
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protect the environment and reduce crime.

I have painted the whole house. + He is still working on sanding the doors.  
= I have painted the whole house, but he is still working on sanding the doors. ✓

Sohan is a strong, healthy man. ✓  
adj.1 adj.2 (both are describing the man) ✓  
Sohan is a strong and healthy man. ✓

I lived in Dallas, Texas, for 15 years. = I lived in Dallas, Texas, for 15 years.  
(comma between city) the city and state are in the middle of the sentence, so add comma after

Kavya graduated college on December 8, 2021, in Irving, Texas.  
the date is in the middle of the sentence

Mother asked, "Who wants to get ice cream?" "I do," he said.

Judel, did you see the python at the zoo? ✓  
Yes, Doctor, I will. ✓  
doctor is capital because it's a title that is being directly addressed