



# Commas is a noun

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A PUNCTUATION MARK (,) INDICATING A PAUSE BETWEEN PARTS OF A SENTENCE. IT IS ALSO USED TO SEPARATE ITEMS IN A LIST AND TO MARK THE PLACE OF THOUSANDS IN A LARGE NUMERAL.

# How you can use commas

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- Commas to introduce a sentence. If you introduce a sentence with a transition word (e.g., however, hence , indeed, furthermore ), follow it with a comma.
- Dependent vs independent clauses. A clause is a group of words that contains at least a subject and a verb. Sentences are often made up of several clauses.
- Commas in compound sentences. A compound sentence contains more than one independent clause. ...
- Avoid the comma splice. Two independent clauses should never be joined by a comma alone. This error is called a comma splice.
- Restrictive vs nonrestrictive clauses. Sometimes the extra information added by a dependent clause is essential to the meaning of the main clause.

# Comma rules



Use	Use commas to separate independent clauses when they are joined by any of these seven coordinating conjunctions: and, but, for, or, nor, so, yet.
Use	Use commas after introductory a) clauses, b) phrases, or c) words that come before the main clause.
Use	Use a pair of commas in the middle of a sentence to set off clauses, phrases, and words that are not essential to the meaning of the sentence. ...
Do not use	Do not use commas to set off essential elements of the sentence, such as clauses beginning with that (relative clauses). That clauses after nouns are always essential. ...

# Some examples of using commas in sentences

One bad example of comma use

Please forgive my mistake Karen.

Original: Please, forgive my mistake, Karen.

Commas need to separate those words to make a clear stance of the action.

**He is bringing the steaks, and I will be making the salad.**

**In this phrase comma precedes a coordinating conjunction ( and)**

**The disease affected his body, but not his mind.**

**The comma is used between contrasted element.**

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