

# Y2 Commas In Lists

KS1 Y2 English · Follows the national curriculum

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## 1. Worked example

**Add commas: 'I can see a duck a swan and a heron.'**

Step 1 · Find the list items

a duck / a swan / a heron

Step 2 · Put a comma after each item, except the last two

a duck,

Step 3 · Use 'and' between the last two items, with no comma

a swan and a heron

**Answer: I can see a duck, a swan and a heron.**

Check: Commas replace the 'and' you would otherwise say each time.

## 2. Now try one with the steps

**Write list: 'I have a pen and a pencil and a ruler and a rubber.'**

Step 1 · Too many 'and's! Find the items

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Step 2 · Keep only the last 'and'

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Step 3 · Put commas between the others

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**Answer:**

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## 3. Practice

Have a go at each one. There is space underneath to work it out.

**1.** What punctuation mark goes between items in a list?

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**2.** Add a comma: 'I like cats dogs and rabbits.'

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**3.** Add a comma: 'We ate jelly cake and ice cream.'

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4. Add commas: 'Red blue green and yellow are colours.'

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5. Do we put a comma before 'and' in a Year 2 list? (yes or no)

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6. Add commas: 'Mia packed socks pyjamas a toothbrush and a book.'

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7. How many commas are needed for a list of 3 items?

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8. How many commas are needed for a list of 4 items?

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9. Rewrite with commas: 'I saw a fox and a badger and an owl.'

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10. Find the mistake: 'I play football, tennis, and netball.'

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11. How many commas are needed for a list of 6 items?

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12. Add commas: 'On Monday Tuesday and Friday we have PE.'

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13. Write a sentence listing three animals you might see at the zoo.

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14. Write a sentence listing four things in your pencil case.

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#### 4. Before you hand it in

**Using 'and' between every item: 'cats and dogs and mice and rats'.**

Use commas, and keep just the last 'and': cats, dogs, mice and rats.

**Putting a comma before 'and': 'apples, pears, and plums'.**

apples, pears and plums.

**Putting a comma between every word: 'a, red, ball'.**

Find each whole item first: a red ball, a toy car and a kite.

**Writing commas on the line like full stops.**

Sit the comma on the line and give it a tail.