

Year 2 Punctuation: Using Commas in a List

Learning from Home Activity Booklet

Year 2 Programme of Study – Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar.

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Note for parents and carers:

In Year 2, children begin to be taught about commas and their uses in sentences. When commas are used to separate items in a list, a comma is placed between each individual item in the list, except for the final two items, which instead are separated by the word 'and'.

For example;

'I bought chicken, potatoes, peas and carrots to make dinner.'

Commas are also used to separate adjectives, for example;

'She has long, wavy, brown hair.'

The commas come between each adjective, but not between the last adjective and the final noun.



Going Shopping

Write out these shopping lists as sentences, using commas to separate the items on each list.

supermarket

- milk
- eggs
- bread
- pasta

garden centre

- compost
- seeds
- a trowel

stationery shop

- pencils
- envelopes
- paper
- crayons
- a card

clothes store

- socks
- a hat
- gloves
- underwear

At the supermarket, I bought _____

At the garden centre, I bought _____

At the stationery shop, I bought _____

At the clothes store, I bought _____

Mark the Sentences

Put commas in the correct places in these list sentences.

My favourite colours are red blue green and purple.

I had cereals toast and juice for my breakfast.

I am going to do my homework watch TV have dinner and go to bed after school.

We can measure length using centimetres metres and kilometres.

Sam Joe and Amy are my best friends.

June July and August are the summer months.

Challenge: Can you write your own list with commas?



Awesome Adjectives

Separate the list of adjectives with commas in these descriptive sentences.

The witch had horrible pointy yellow fingernails.

I had a new red shiny bike for my birthday.

I had a big juicy burger for tea.

I like crunchy fresh apples.

Can you write your own descriptions? Try to use at least two adjectives each time that are separated with commas. Challenge yourself and go for three!

The lion has a _____ mane.

Joe pulled a _____ face.

Dad baked a _____ cake.

We saw a _____ film at the cinema.

Year 2 Punctuation: Using Commas in a List Answers

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At the supermarket, I bought **milk, eggs, bread and pasta.**

At the garden centre, I bought **compost, seeds and a trowel.**

At the stationery shop, I bought pencils, **envelopes, paper, crayons and a card.**

At the clothes store, I bought **socks, a hat, gloves and underwear.**

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My favourite colours are red, blue, green and purple.

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I am going to do my homework, watch TV, have dinner and go to bed after school.

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Challenge: Accept any list sentence with commas in the correct places.

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The witch had horrible, pointy, yellow fingernails.

I had a new, red, shiny bike for my birthday.

I had a big, juicy burger for tea.

I like crunchy, fresh apples.

Example sentences:

The lion has a yellow, shaggy mane.

Joe pulled a funny, silly face.

Dad baked a delicious, pink, sparkly cake.

We saw a horrid, spooky, scary film at the cinema.