



Comma Rules

Name: _____

Date: _____

Grade: Grade 5

Part A: Fill in the Blank

Write the missing word or number on each line.

1. In "Class, please open your books," the word "Class" is an example of direct _____ .
2. When you speak to someone by name at the _____ of a sentence, place a comma after the name.
3. In a series of four items you need _____ commas to separate them.
4. A compound sentence has _____ independent clauses connected by a conjunction.
5. In "Mom, can I go to the park?" the comma sets off the word used in direct _____ .
6. The FANBOYS conjunction "nor" means "and _____" when connecting two negative ideas.
7. If a name used in direct address appears in the _____ of a sentence, it needs commas on both sides.
8. Leaving out the Oxford comma in a list can cause _____ about which items belong together.
9. In "I hope, dear students, that you studied," the phrase "dear students" is a direct _____ in the middle of the sentence.

Part B: Matching

Match each item on the left to the correct answer on the right.

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"Sam, could you pass the salt?"	→ _____	Commas separating items in a series
"She plays piano, guitar, and drums."	→ _____	Comma in direct address at the start
"I wanted to stay, but my ride was leaving."	→ _____	Commas around direct address in the middle

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Write the missing word or number on each line.

1. In "Class, please open your books," the word "Class" is an example of direct address.
2. When you speak to someone by name at the beginning of a sentence, place a comma after the name.
3. In a series of four items you need three commas to separate them.
4. A compound sentence has two independent clauses connected by a conjunction.
5. In "Mom, can I go to the park?" the comma sets off the word used in direct address.
6. The FANBOYS conjunction "nor" means "and not" when connecting two negative ideas.
7. If a name used in direct address appears in the middle of a sentence, it needs commas on both sides.
8. Leaving out the Oxford comma in a list can cause confusion about which items belong together.
9. In "I hope, dear students, that you studied," the phrase "dear students" is a direct address in the middle of the sentence.

Part B: Matching

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"Sam, could you pass the salt?"	→	<u>Comma in direct address at the start</u>	Commas separating items in a series
"She plays piano, guitar, and drums."	→	<u>Commas separating items in a series</u>	Comma in direct address at the start
"I wanted to stay, but my ride was leaving."	→	<u>Comma before conjunction in a compound sentence</u>	Commas around direct address in the middle