

## Commas

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Indicate pause

### Items in a series

Use commas to separate items in a list

1. Words  
I like chips, sushi, and chicken.
2. Phrases (words that work together)  
We went through the forest, over the river, and by the desert.

### Compound sentences

Two or more sentences joined with commas and “and”

√(Frank went to town), and (Susan went to the beach).  
X (Sam sat at home) and (ate chips).

Test for compound sentences

1. Split sentences at “and”
2. Read both halves  
If make sense = compound  
If don't make sense ≠ compound

Words that work like “and”

- and
- yet
- but
- so
- for