

COMMAS

1. Add commas as needed in the sentences below.

- a) He left the scene of the accident and tried to forget that it had happened.
- b) Oil which is lighter than water rises to the surface.
- c) Madame de Stael was an attractive gracious lady.
- d) Nice is a word with many meanings and some of them are contradictory.
- e) The contractor testified that the house was completed and that the work had been done properly.
- f) Some people refuse to go to the zoo because of pity for creatures that must live in small cages.
- g) Taxicabs that are dirty are illegal in some cities.

2. Select the sentences with correctly applied commas.

- a) My favourite countries are, Spain, Greece, India, and Hungary.
 - b) My favourite countries are Spain, Greece, India and Hungary.
 - c) My favourite countries are, Spain Greece India and Hungary.
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- a) I really don't like blancmange, so I never eat the stuff.
 - b) I really don't like blancmange so, I never eat the stuff.
 - c) I really don't like blancmange so I never eat the stuff.
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- a) Once, the storm was over we were able to set sail for the lost island.
 - b) Once the storm was over, we were able to set sail for the lost island.
 - c) Once the storm was over we were able to set sail for the lost island.
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- a) Jill, a talented woman in the world of business decided to run for president.
 - b) Jill, a talented woman in the world of business, decided to run for president.
 - c) Jill a talented woman in the world of business, decided to run for president.

REVISION

1. Add commas as needed in the sentences below.

- a) The closet contained worn clothes old shoes and dirty hats.
- b) The uninvited guest wore a dark blue tweed suit.
- c) After surviving this ordeal the trapper felt relieved.
- d) Mark Twain's early novels I believe stand the test of time.
- e) December 7 1941 will never be forgotten.
- f) The field was safe enough wasn't it?
- g) Write the editor of the Atlantic 8 Arlington Street Boston Massachusetts 02116.

2. Select the sentences with correctly applied commas.

- a) We used to live in an, old, dilapidated, ramshackle house.
- b) We used to live in an old, dilapidated, ramshackle house.
- c) We used to live in an old, dilapidated, ramshackle, house.

- a) I love eating cake and biscuits, not vegetables.
- b) I love eating, cake and biscuits, not vegetables.
- c) I love eating, cake and biscuits not vegetables.

- a) Paul said he had seen Jim and John at the party last night.
- b) Paul said he had seen Jim, and John at the party last night.
- c) Paul said he had seen, Jim and John at the party last night.