

Commas

Use a **comma** and a conjunction to join two sentences.

I went outside, and I saw some ants.

Use **commas** to separate words in a series.

The ants were small, brown, and active.

Use a **comma** after the greeting and the closing of a friendly letter.

Dear Ellie,

Your friend,

Use a **comma** between the name of a city and a state in an address.

Casper, WY 82602 Cleveland, Ohio

Use a **comma** to separate the month and day from the year.

April 28, 2007

Directions Write *C* if commas are used correctly in the sentence. Write *NC* if commas are not used correctly.

1. Scientists have found ant fossils and they think they are millions of years old.

NC

2. Ants are social insects, and they live in groups called colonies.

C

3. Rooms in ant nests include the queen's chamber, nurseries and storage rooms.

NC

Directions Write each sentence. Add commas where they are needed.

4. I finished my report on ants on October 3 2006.

I finished my report on ants on October 3, 2006.

5. An ant's sting is painful but it isn't poisonous.

An ant's sting is painful, but it isn't poisonous.

6. That scientist lives in Miami Florida.

That scientist lives in Miami, Florida.