

Cornell Notes

Using Commas with Introductory Elements

Today's Standard

5.L.2b - Use a comma to separate an introductory element from the rest of the sentence.

Cues	Notes
What is an introductory element?	An introductory element is a word, phrase, or clause that comes before the main part of the sentence.
Why use a comma after an introductory element?	Using a comma after an introductory element helps to clarify the meaning of the sentence and makes it easier to read.
Examples of introductory elements.	Examples: After the game, In the morning, However,
Common mistakes with commas and introductory elements.	Common mistakes include not using a comma after an introductory element or using a comma when it is not needed.

Summary

Using commas after introductory elements is essential for sentence clarity and readability. This standard helps students understand where and why to place commas in their writing.