

Using Commas for Clarity

Today's Standard

5.L.2c - Use a comma to set off the words yes and no (e.g., Yes, thank you), to set off a tag question from the rest of the sentence (e.g., It's true, isn't it?), and to indicate direct address (e.g., Is that you, Steve?).

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing thank-you notes and emails; Engaging in written dialogues or scripts; Crafting speeches or presentations; Editing and proofreading essays; Creating dialogue in stories

Today I Learned

Today, I learned how to use commas to make my writing clearer. I can use commas after 'yes' and 'no', in tag questions, and when talking directly to someone.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Some kids might think commas can go anywhere in a sentence, but that's not true. Others might think commas aren't important, but they help make sentences clear.

Quiz Me

- Where do we put a comma after 'yes' or 'no'?
- What is a tag question?
- Why do we use commas in direct address?
- Can commas change the meaning of a sentence?
- Is it important to use commas correctly?

Help Me

Using commas helps make our sentences clear. For example, we use commas after 'yes' and 'no', in tag questions like 'It's true, isn't it?', and when talking to someone like 'Is that you, Steve?'. This helps people understand what we are saying.