

**comma**['kɒmə] *n*

- запятая  
inverted commas - кавычки
- муз. комма

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**comma** [comma commas] *BrE* ['kɒmə] <sup>1</sup> *NAmE* ['kɑːmə] <sup>2</sup> *noun*

the mark (,) used to separate the items in a list or to show where there is a slight pause in a sentence

**see also** ↑inverted commasWord Origin:late 16th cent. (originally as a term in rhetoric denoting a group of words shorter than a colon): via Latin from Greek **komma** 'piece cut off, short clause', from **koptein** 'cut'.Example Bank:

- The relative clause is separated by commas.
- You need to put a comma before 'which'.

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Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En)

**com·ma** /'kɒmə \$ 'kɑːmə *BrE* <sup>1</sup> *AmE* <sup>2</sup> *noun* [countable][**Date:** 1500-1600; **Language:** Latin; **Origin:** 'part of a sentence', from Greek **komma** 'part, clause', from **koptein** 'to cut']

the mark (,) used in writing to show a short pause or to separate things in a list

⇒ ↑inverted comma, ↑punctuation mark

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**THESAURUS**■ **types of punctuation mark**

- **apostrophe** the sign ' that is used to show that one or more letters or numbers have been left out, as in **don't**, or used before 's' to show that something belongs to someone or something, as in **Mark's dog**
- **brackets** *British English*, **parentheses** *AmE and BrE formal* a pair of signs used for enclosing information that interrupts a sentence
- **colon** the sign : that is used to introduce an explanation, example, quotation etc
- **semicolon** the sign ; that is used to separate words in a list, or different parts of a sentence that can be understood separately
- **comma** the sign , that is used to separate things in a list, or between two clauses in a sentence
- **hyphen** the sign – that is used to join words or syllables
- **dash** the sign — that is used to separate two closely related parts of a sentence, especially in more informal English
- **full stop** *British English*, **period** *American English* the sign . that is used to mark the end of a sentence or the short form of a word
- **exclamation mark** *British English*, **exclamation point** *American English* the sign ! that is used after a sentence or word that expresses surprise, anger, or excitement
- **question mark** the sign ? that is used at the end of a question
- **quotation marks** (also **inverted commas** *British English*) a pair of signs ' and ' that are put around words, especially to show that you are quoting what someone has said

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