

Lesson 5 Commas for clarity Questions

Red

- Can you show the huge difference one comma makes to the meaning of these sentences by illustrating each version or explaining the difference in words? Colour in your pictures – be imaginative.
1. We are going to cut and paste, kids.
We are going to cut and paste kids.
 2. I find inspiration in cooking my family and teachers.
I find inspiration in cooking, my family and teachers.
 3. Compared to a giant, star wars seemed so tiny and small.
Compared to a giant star, wars seemed so tiny and small.

Make up some examples of your own.

Yellow

Place commas to give the sentences two different meanings. Some might not need any.

1. The view I imagined was amazing.
The view I imagined was amazing.
2. I want to thank my parents Tiffany and Kermit the Frog.
I want to thank my parents Tiffany and Kermit the Frog.
3. The view I imagined was amazing.
The view I imagined was amazing.
4. Hurry up and shoot Grandad.
Hurry up and shoot Grandad.
5. David said the astronaut was scared.
David said the astronaut was scared.
6. She found to her horror films were boring.
She found to her horror films were boring.

7. All the time machines were getting more intelligent and powerful.
All the time machines were getting more intelligent and powerful

Make up some examples of your own.

Green

1. I love my parents Kylie Minogue and Kermit the frog.
I love my parents Kylie Minogue and Kermit the frog.
2. I want to thank my parents Tiffany and God.
I want to thank my parents Tiffany and God.
3. James walked on his head a little higher than usual.
James walked on his head a little higher than usual.
4. When the lightning turned incredibly bright yellow people began to get scared.
When the lightning turned incredibly bright yellow people began to get scared.
5. The girl who didn't like spiders was terrified.
The girl who didn't like spiders was terrified.
6. He brought home some old folders and a doughnut which he ate as soon as he got hungry.
He brought home some old folders and a doughnut which he ate as soon as he got hungry.
7. When she's not working she loves eating her dog and her family.
When she's not working she loves eating her dog and her family.

Make up some examples of your own.