

The comma: lists

The comma can be used to separate items in a list. It replaces the word 'and' or 'or' in the sentence. The last 'and' or 'or' in the list is left in place with no comma.

Correctly punctuate the text by inserting commas and removing the words 'and' and 'or' where necessary. Write the corrected sentence below the original in the spaces provided.

1. I have an orange an apple a pear and a grape.

2. David George Simon and Matthew ran home.

3. I would like a pet monkey and a fish and a cat.

4. Singing and swimming and dancing and cycling are my favourite hobbies.

5. For my birthday I want a bike or a computer or a model plane.

6. Don't shout or run or jump down the corridor.

7. I have to make my bed and tidy my room and polish my shoes and iron my uniform and make my lunch before I can go play.
