

## Commas

Use a comma in a date, an address or city and state, and items in a series.

#### Date:

When writing a month, day, and year, a comma is used to set apart the day and the year.

Example: His little sister was born on January 2, 1992. Year



#### Address:

When an address or city and state is written out, a comma is used to set apart the city.

**Example:** I visited my relatives in Bradenton, Florida.

#### Items in a Series:

When multiple items are listed in a series in a sentence, a comma is used to set apart each item in the series.

**Example:** We went to a museum, a park, a theater, and a restaurant on our trip.

## Suffixes

Syllable or syllables placed at the end of a root word to change the word's meaning and/or to form a different word.

## -ly: means in a way

English Root Word	Meaning	Affixed Word	Meaning
accidental	(adj) happening unexpectedly, not on purpose	accidentally	(adv) in an accidental way; in a way that is unexpected; not on purpose
loud	(adj) noisy	loudly	(adv) in a loud or noisy way
easy	(adj) not hard to do or get	easily	(adv) in an easy way; in a way that is not hard to do or get
temporary	(adj) lasting for a short or limited time, not permanent	temporarily	(adv) in a temporary way; in a way that lasts for a short or limited time

## Similes

A literary device that compares things using like or as

## Examples:

- The basketball player was as graceful as a dancer when he went up to dunk the ball.
- The rift was like a seam in a pants leg, where two pieces of fabric come together.
- An earthquake is a bit like a rock plunking into water.
- What if continents were like enormous pieces of ice?

# Writing

When you are writing an Informational Text, remember...

#### Focus:

Select one specific moment, object, or idea, and use precise details to write about it

## Note Taking:

Scan the text and images for key words and specific information related to a chosen topic; key info should be in the shortest form possible

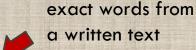
### Paraphrase:

Write the information in your own words

# "Quotation Marks"

-used to show exactly what a person says or said: dialogue - used when copying the exact words from a written text

## Examples:



- The text states, "Erupting volcanoes are dramatic natural events."
- "What," I asked my friends, "is your favorite color?"
   dialogue
- "My favorite color," Bonnie said, "is purple."
  - dialogue
- "Green," Seth responded, "is my favorite color."

# Root Word

#### -rupt: break or burst

prefix or suffix added to the root can change the meaning

Affixed Word	Meaning	Sentence		
abrupt	(adj) sudden and unexpected; breaking through suddenly	The firefighter had to make an abrupt departure from the restaurant after learning there was a fire nearby.		
disrupt	(v) to disturb something; to cause disorder by breaking through something that is happening	While some could say that a safety drill might disrupt class time, it is still an important exercise to be prepared in case of emergency		
uninterrupted	(adj) continuing without breaking or being stopped by something	With all of the noises outdoors, it just might be impossible to have an uninterrupted night of sleep while camping!		
rupture	(noun) a break or burst	A rupture in the water pipes caused water to soak everything in their apartment.		

# Spelling Words Lesson 6

- 1. hierarchy
- 2. matriarch
- 3. archrival
- 4. anarchy
- 5. autograph
- 6. biographer

- 7. calligraphy
- 8. paragraph
- 9. eruption
- 10. uninterrupted
- 11. rupture
- 12. abrupt

# Spelling Words Lesson II

- 1. fault
- 2. tsunami
- 3. geyser
- 4. erosion
- 5. glacier

- 6. tectonic
- 7. molten
- 8. seismograph
- 9. epicenter
- 10. conclusion

# Sequencing Adjectives

## Adjectives are words that describe nouns

When more than one adjective is being used to describe a noun, there is a common convention, or rule, for their order:

article  $\longrightarrow$  opinion/  $\longrightarrow$  size  $\longrightarrow$  shape  $\longrightarrow$  age  $\longrightarrow$  color  $\longrightarrow$  material  $\longrightarrow$  origin  $\longrightarrow$  purpose observation

Article	Adjective(s)  General								Noun
а	Opinion/ Observation	Physical Description (size, shape, age, color)				Material	Origin	Purpose	
an	good	big	round	young	blue	silver	American	cooking	
the	bad	small	triangular	old	red	wooden	Italian	writing	
	fun	tiny	square	new	yellow	plastic	German	sleeping	
	exciting	giant	flat	ancient	green	metal	Russian	running	