Name _____ Using Commas in a Series

Series of Discovery

When you write a series of three or more items or ideas in one sentence, place a comma after each item except the last. A comma also comes before the coordinating conjunction (and, or) that introduces the final item.

Maya packed her tent, filled the water bottles, checked the map, and loaded the car.

The trail wound past a rocky ridge, a shallow creek, and a field of wildflowers.

By sunset the hikers felt tired, proud, and hungry for dinner.

Directions: Answer each question below in a complete sentence, using commas correctly in your series. Check that each sentence begins and ends correctly, and proofread your spelling.

1. **Name three or more authors or book series you would recommend to a friend. Underline each title.**

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2. **List at least four U.S. states you would most like to visit someday, in the order you would visit them.**

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3. **What are three or more ecosystems found on Earth (for example, desert or rain forest)?**

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4. **Name four ingredients you would need to make your favorite meal from scratch.**

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5. **What are three or more inventions that changed how people communicate?**

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6. **List the chores or responsibilities you completed this week, at least three.**

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7. **Name three or more planets, moons, or other objects you could see with a telescope.**

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8. **What are three character traits a good team captain should have?**

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9. **Who are three or more historical figures you would invite to a class discussion, and why might one deserve a short reason?**

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10. **Describe a busy morning using at least three actions in a series (what you did first, next, and after that).**

Challenge: Write three of your own questions like the ones above. Trade papers with a partner, answer each other's questions in complete sentences, and check each other's comma placement.

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