

UNIT 4 And, In addition, Furthermore, and Therefore

And

And connects two or more words in a series. Use commas to separate words when there are more than two in the series. (The last comma is optional.)

I'm concerned about **aggressive and inattentive** driving. (no comma: **and** connects two adjectives.)

Inattentive drivers sometimes **eat and talk** on their cell phones while they are driving. (no comma: **and** connects two verbs with the same subject.)

Gesturing, staring, and multitasking are three things aggressive drivers often do. (A comma is necessary: **and** connects more than two words in a series. The comma after **staring** is optional.)

And can also combine two separate complete sentences into one sentence. In the new sentence, the two original sentences are called "independent clauses." The comma is common but optional.

_____ complete sentence _____ complete sentence _____

Aggressive drivers do many dangerous things. They cause a lot of crashes.

_____ independent clause _____ independent clause _____

Aggressive drivers do many dangerous things, **and** they cause a lot of crashes.

A Insert commas where necessary or optional in the sentences.

- 1 She enjoys swimming hiking and fishing.
- 2 I don't like SUVs and other large cars.
- 3 We're traveling to France Italy and Spain.
- 4 Marianne and Sally are coming with us.
- 5 I'm renting a car and I'm driving it to Chicago.
- 6 This agency has nice convertibles vans and sports cars.

B On a separate sheet of paper, combine each pair of sentences into one sentence consisting of two independent clauses. Use **and**.

- 1 They made a call to a car rental company. They reserved a minivan for the weekend.
- 2 The left front headlight is broken. It won't turn on.
- 3 We rented a full-size sedan with a sunroof. We opened it because the weather was beautiful.
- 4 I hit the car in front of me. A passenger in the back seat was hurt.
- 5 You can drop the car off at nine o'clock. You can pick it up in the late afternoon.

In addition, Furthermore, and Therefore

Use **In addition** and **Furthermore** to add to the ideas in a previous sentence. **In addition** and **Furthermore** are approximately equal in meaning, but **Furthermore** is a little more formal. You can use both in the same writing to avoid repetition.

People should pay attention to their own driving. **In addition**, they should be aware of the driving of others.

I think defensive driving makes sense. **Furthermore**, it has been proven to reduce the number of accidents.

Use **therefore** to introduce a result.

_____ result _____
Ron has had a lot of accidents. **Therefore**, the rental company said he couldn't rent one of their cars.

Note: It's customary to use a comma after **In addition**, **Furthermore**, and **Therefore**.

C Complete the statements with **In addition** or **Therefore**.

- 1 The other driver was speeding. _____, she wasn't paying attention.
- 2 No one was hurt. _____, we didn't have to go to the hospital after the crash.
- 3 I was taking a business trip with a lot of equipment. _____, I rented a car with a lot of trunk space.
- 4 They need to rent a minivan for their trip to Montreal. _____, they have to stay in a pet-friendly hotel because they plan to bring their pet dog.

D **Guidance for the Writing Exercise (on page 48)** In your paragraph about good and bad drivers, use **And**, **In addition**, **Furthermore**, and **Therefore**. Then check your paragraph carefully to see if you have used commas correctly.