

# The Comma Separating two Independent Clauses



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- 2) I am going to the store but I will be back soon.
- 3) I love to read and I also love to write.
- 4) I am hungry so I am going to eat something.
- 5) I am tired so I am going to go to bed.
- 6) I am happy so I am going to smile.
- 7) I am sad so I am going to cry.
- 8) I love pizza and I also love pasta!
- 9) I am excited so I am going to jump up and down.
- 10) I am scared so I am going to hide.
- 11) I like to travel and I will go to Paris next year.
- 12) I am lost so I am going to ask for directions.
- 13) I am going to the pool and I am going to swim.
- 14) I am lonely so I am going to call a friend.
- 15) I am grateful so I am going to say thank you.

# ANSWERS:



In each of these sentences, the comma is used to separate two independent clauses. An independent clause is a group of words that can stand on its own as a complete sentence. When two independent clauses are joined together, they must be separated by a comma.

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