## Using Commas to Separate Coordinate Adjectives

**STEP 1:** Watch THIS VIDEO to learn about coordinate adjectives.

**STEP 2:** Read each sentence, and determine whether or not it needs a comma between the adjectives. If so, add the comma (REMEMBER: If you can add the word 'and' between them and the sentence still makes sense, then they are coordinate adjectives, and they need a comma between them). You can check your answers on the next page.

- My friends and I watched a long boring movie at Sammy's house last night.
- 2. The quiet respectful class listened to the guest speaker from the zoo.
- 3. The mighty summer hurricane did lots of damage in our town.
- My book had short suspenseful chapters that made me want to keep reading.
- 5. The gentle spring rain makes the plants in our yard very happy.

## STEP 3: Write!

A <u>humanitarian</u> is someone who actively tries to help improve the welfare and happiness of others. Some famous humanitarians are Martin Luther King, Jr., Ghandi, Bill Gates, and Oprah Winfrey. Write a detailed paragraph below describing someone you consider to be a humanitarian. What are the characteristics they have that make them a humanitarian? Tell about the person with as much detail as possible.

**Mild-** use at least two sets of coordinate adjectives in your paragraph. **Medium**- use at least three sets of coordinate adjectives in your paragraph. **Spicy**- Use at least 5 sets of coordinate adjectives.

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## **ANSWERS TO STEP 2:**

- 6. My friends and I watched a long, boring movie at Sammy's house last night.
- 7. The quiet, respectful class listened to the guest speaker from the zoo.
- 8. The mighty summer hurricane did lots of damage in our town. (no comma)
- 9. My book had short, suspenseful chapters that made me want to keep reading.
- 10. The gentle spring rain makes the plants in our yard very happy. (no comma)