Due to the difficulty that many of you had with our current grammar exercises, I want you to use your hand outs as a study guide and come to class prepared to answer some questions. Below, I will attach the two homework sheets I am referring to. Pay close attention to the mistakes you made and even closer attention to the corrections. Other than studying, I want you to come to class with your text books. I would like to get one or two more stories completed before the end of the school year.

## Subjects, Objects, and Predicates with Pirates Worksheet

Part One: Identifying subjects, predicates, and objects.
Underline subjects, circle predicates, and double-underline objects.

- 1. The pirate captain sang a sea shanty on his pirate ship.
- 2. Singing was his favorite activity.
- 3. He also liked feeding his parrot, swashbuckling, and pillaging.
- 4. Soon after the sun rose, he called his crew to the deck.
- 5. The men assembled on the deck of the pirate ship.
- 6. As their captain strutted the deck of the ship, the men responded to his orders.
- 7. Some climbed ropes and looked through telescopes, while others swung on ropes and nets.
- 8. Swinging, climbing, and chanting are all important skills for pirates.
- 9. Suddenly the tall pirate turned to the captain and exclaimed, "Argh, a vessel sails to the west!"
- 10. The pirate captain shouted at the men and they loaded the cannons.
- 11. After the pirates battered the merchant vessel with cannon fire, the merchants waved the white flag.
- 12. "Ye should board the vessel," said the pirate captain to a group of pirates with knives in their teeth.



13. The pirate captain steered his boat alongside the merchant vessel and snarled.
14. Boarding a ship requires both dexterity and bravery.
15. The pirates swung from ropes and landed on the deck of the merchant ship.
16. The crew of the merchant ship barricaded themselves in the captain's quarters.
17. The pirates battered the door with a large log.
18. As the door gave in, the pirates realized that they had walked into a trap.
19. It was the Sheriff's men, and they had drawn their weapons on the pirates.
20. The Sheriff said, "You're going to jail because stealing and fighting are illegal crimes."
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## **Practice with Commas**

Directions: Put commas where they belong. A few of these sentences do not need commas.

- 1. We are having peas and carrots roast beef and cake for dinner.
- 2. Mr. Morton my English teacher says we have to learn how to use commas.
- 3. He says "Remember Bob use commas before and after you address someone directly."
- 4. Kelly said "Did you do the homework Angie?"
- 5. The teachers at Ericson Academy work hard to teach the students.
- 6. Alex painted the fence white blue and green.
- 7. We waited at the bus stop on Central Park Avenue after school.
- 8. My mom who is a nurse cares for the sick injured and disabled
- 9. One famous basketball player Michael Jordan won five MVP awards.
- 10. "Don't go there" said Formica.
- 11. Robert Louis Stevenson was a Scottish writer of novels poems and essays.
- 12. Now Mr. Bond we will saw you in half.
- 13. Tequita said "Stop talking to me Renisha."
- 14. Chicago the largest city in the Midwest is the home of the skyscraper blues and deep-dish pizza.
- 15. No Jackie I don't want to go with Mark.
- 16. Alice said "But they keep picking on me Rudy."
- 17. Emilio my next-door neighbor has two daughters a son and a puppy.

- 18. That Tuesday which also happens to be my birthday is the only day we can take the test.
- 19. Fred who often cheats on his homework is really only harming himself.
- 20. Brett Favre the quarter back for the team is having a bad week.