## Commas with direct address

## Ex:

(dírect address)

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<u>Lee.</u> are those sounds coming
from you?
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Are those sounds coming
(dírect address)
from you<u>, Lee</u>?
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## **PRACTICE THE CONVERSATION:**

- A: Please read the first sentence.
- **B:** Lee, are those sounds coming from you?
- **A:** Why is there a comma after *Lee*?
- **B:** Lee is someone's name, and you're talking to him, getting his attention.
- A: That's right. What is that called?
- **B:** A direct address.
- A: Exactly. So why is there a comma?
- **B:** We use commas after a direct address.
- A: Great. Wait . . . always after? Look at the second sentence.
- **B:** Oh well, the comma separates the sentence from the direct address, wherever it occurs.
- A: That's the logic! Exactly.



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