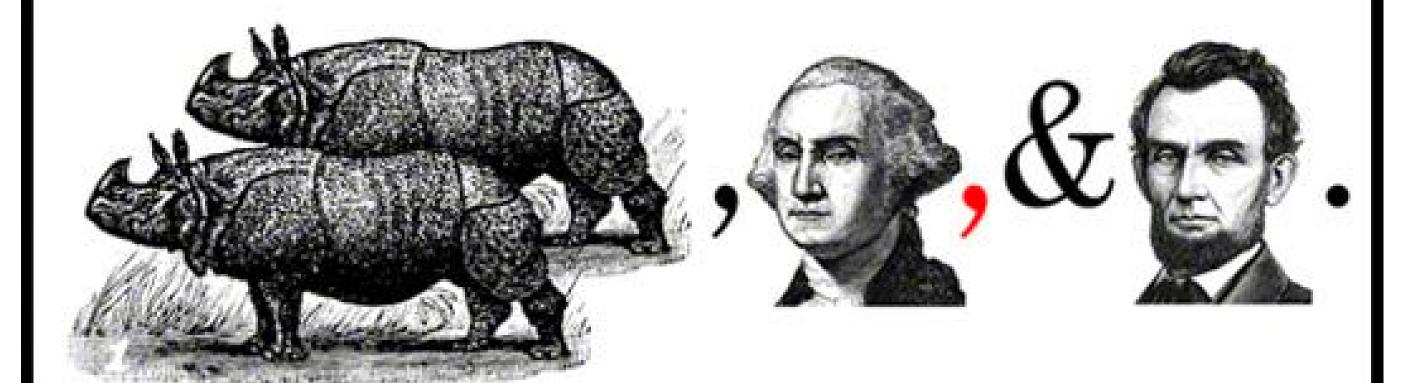
MISSING OXFORD COMMA

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The Oxford comma is the comma after the second-to-last item in a list of three or more things, before 'and' or 'or'

With the Oxford Comma:

We invited the rhinoceri, Washington, and Lincoln.



Without the Oxford Comma:

We invited the rhinoceri, Washington and Lincoln.



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Without the Oxford comma, a sentence can be confusing. It might seem like the end of the list is clarifying or describing the first word instead of listing two more items, or it might seem like the last two terms are examples of the noun before them.

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