**A Pause (Tribute to the Comma)**

*Adapted from Lady Gaga’s “Applause” by Mrs. Schroeder*

Verse 1:
I stand here with conjunctions in sentences compound
To put a comma saying, “It is right, and it’s not wrong!”
If the clause is introductory, comma goes after
Being a clause concluding, I found no way to put it there

Refrain:
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I live for a pause-pause, live for a pause-pause
Live for the way that you clarify meaning for me
The pause, a pause, a pause
Give me that comma that I love (Like in a series)
Put your hands up, for commas (Appositives)
Give me that comma that I love (With states and cities)
Put your hands up, for commas (Interjections)

(With adjectives it’s in between) Make ‘em separate
(With adjectives it’s in between) Commas
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Verse 2:
I’ve overheard your theory on phrases essential
I guess sir, if you say so, then commas don’t go there too well
But if it’s non-essential, then suddenly a comma, see?
Large numbers, names and titles, contrasting phrases, dates and years!

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Bridge:
Comma, comma
Comma, comma now
Ooh-ooh-ooh-hoo
Ooh-ooh-ooh-hoo
Ooh-ooh

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