

Appositive Worksheet

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Exercise A: Identifying Appositives

Directions: *Identify appositives in the following sentences by underlining the appositive or appositive phrase and circling the word it modifies.*

1. Have you seen the play *The Diary of Anne Frank*?
2. Babe Ruth, one of the greatest hitters in baseball history, began his career as a pitcher.
3. The herbs parsley, mint, and rosemary grow well indoors at a sunny window.
4. American artist Norman Rockwell selected scenes from everyday life for his paintings.
5. I just finished reading a story by the famous fantasy writer J.R.R. Tolkien.

Exercise B: Punctuating Appositives

Directions: *Add commas to the following sentences where needed. If a sentence does not need any commas, then mark it "correct" by writing C beside the number.*

1. Zachary Taylor the 12th president never voted in his life.
2. Francisco Coronado a Spanish explorer brought horses to America in 1540.
3. The novelist Rudyard Kipling wrote Kim.
4. Alvin Parker once flew a glider a plane without a motor 644 miles.
5. Mr. Hrnair the coolest teacher alive would never make his students do boring worksheets.

Exercise C: Combining Sentences Using Appositives

Directions: *On your own sheet of paper, or the back of this one, combine each sequence of sentences into a single sentence using at least one appositive.*

I.

The first man on the moon was born in Wapakoneta, Ohio.
He was Neil Armstrong.

II.

1. Mr. and Mrs. Kelly have bought a new car.
2. The new car is a Ford Taurus.
3. They're our neighbors.

III.

America's infrastructure is heading toward collapse.
America's infrastructure is aging and neglected.
The infrastructure is vast, vital network.
It is a network of roads.
It is a network of bridges.
It is a network of sewers.
It is a network of railroads and mass transit systems.

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