

## WORKING WITH APPPOSITIVES

### Practice One

**Directions: Underline the appositive and/or appositive phrase, place commas where needed and draw an arrow above the word that is renamed or described.**

1. The young Algonquian princess Pocahontas became the wife of an English settler.
2. I ordered a healthburger a sandwich of peanut butter and bean sprouts.
3. A scavenger the buzzard serves as one of nature's sanitation workers.
4. The labor organizer Mary Harris was nicknamed "Mother Jones."
5. In 1964 Dorothy Hodgkin a British chemist became the fifth female scientist to receive the Nobel Prize a coveted world award.
6. A lawn game popular in the early 1900's croquet is rapidly experiencing a revival.
7. The carriage an old dilapidated-looking buggy creaked down the dusty road.
8. The kitten playful but wily pounced on Mom's ball of thread, causing her knitting to unravel.
9. My cousin Fred is the biggest tease in our family, always playing practical jokes.
10. A promoter of justice Lyndon Baines Johnson was instrumental in the passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1965.
11. The beaver's house a structure of mud and tree branches was cleverly built.
12. The poet Longfellow wrote numerous children's poems.

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### Practice Two

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1. Lincoln wrote the Gettysburg Address a famous speech during the Civil War the bloodiest in U. S. history.
2. John Wilkes Booth a radical assassinated Lincoln in April of 1865.
3. The winners of the essay contest Barbara Coolidge and Stanley Ribkin won scholarships worth \$500.
4. My dog Pete a collie has won more prizes in the past four years than my poodle.
5. Shawn's car an antique British taxi is reliable in spite of its age.
6. The rose fresh and fragrant represented the love he had for his sweetheart.
7. Tony's friend Miranda works at the record shop on Saturdays.
8. Thomas Jefferson scientist, architect, philosopher was truly a great person.
9. The new CEO an active promoter of women's rights won the support of his female employees.
10. The urchin hungry and neglected searched through foul-smelling garbage cans.
11. The widow of Martin Luther King, Jr. Coretta King has made important contributions to the cause of civil rights.
12. *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* a wonderful adventure story has been a favorite of mine for many years.