

21.1**Appositives and Appositive Phrases
(Compound Appositives) • Practice 2****Exercise 1**

Identifying Compound Appositives. In each sentence, underline each part of each compound appositive. Then draw an arrow from each part to the word or words it renames.

EXAMPLE: Viewing ocean creatures, fish and other animals, is one reason that underwater diving is popular.

- As early as 4500 B.C., people were diving in the ocean to bring up food, both fish and plants.
- Early Greek and Roman divers also dived to retrieve the ocean's riches, pearls, sponges, and shells.
- The most common diving method, skin diving or breath-hold diving, has been practiced the longest.
- Skin diving, a very simple type of diving and a popular form of recreation today, requires little or no equipment.
- The basic equipment, fins, masks, and snorkels, is easy to use.
- Years ago, divers used natural equipment, hollow reeds for snorkels and tortoise shells for goggles.
- Now, however, this equipment is made from more modern materials, glass and plastic.
- In 1943, two Frenchmen, Cousteau and Gagnan, developed practical independent breathing equipment.
- Improved equipment gives today's divers great advantages, more mobility and increased time under water.
- Today, divers often use special gear, compressed-air tanks and wet suits, which allows them to swim underwater for long periods.

Writing Application

Using Appositives and Appositive Phrases to Combine

Sentences. Turn each pair of sentences into one with an appositive or appositive phrase.

EXAMPLE: Sam typed his paper. It was a book report.

Sam typed his paper, a book report.

- The book was published in many languages. It was an autobiography.

- A neighbor's tree became the graveyard for their colorful kite. The kite was a large dragon with a silver tail.

- Candice completed the race in spite of her injury. She had a twisted ankle.

- The memorial honors the people who died while in service during World War II. It is a simple, symbolic structure made of white stone.

- Mount Shasta towers thousands of feet above the surrounding valleys and plateaus. The mountain is a volcano.
