Identifying Appositives and Appositive Phrases

**EXERCISE A** Underline each appositive or appositive phrase in the following sentences.

**EXAMPLE 1.** The garment, a traditional Indian sari, was wrapped carefully around her body.

1. Number 53, a favorite with the crowd, is expected to break the record this game.
2. From the balcony, I looked out at the familiar sights—rooftops, treetops, and the houses of my old neighborhood.
3. The soloist bowed and picked up his instrument, a violin.
4. Ask Mr. Fulton, the man in the black beret over there, about the entrance fee.
5. My mother, a teacher at our school, also coaches the debate team.
6. Didn’t Alexander, our school’s best sprinter, win an award in track?
7. The trip, my first outside our home state, lasted for two weeks.
8. I studied the lines on his face, a map of every emotion felt in his seventy years.
9. These masks, fine examples of African art, strongly influenced Pablo Picasso.
10. These colors—green, white, and red—are the colors of the Mexican flag.

**EXERCISE B** Underline each appositive or appositive phrase in the following sentences. Then, on the line provided, write the word or words that the appositive or appositive phrase identifies or explains.

**EXAMPLE novel** 1. Have you read Gary Paulsen’s novel Hatchet yet?

1. The story “Oni and the Great Bird” is a Yoruban tale.
2. In the suitcase were souvenirs from a lifetime—ticket stubs, letters, photographs, and many other items.
3. Now, let us welcome Carl Lewis, a nine-time Olympic gold medal winner!
4. A row of mirrors greeted visitors on their way through the exhibit, the last one in the museum.
5. Some of the students carried small computers, the latest craze among middle schoolers.