APPOSITIVE PRACTICE WORKSHEET

Name: ______________________  Class Period: ______

Part I: Identify and underline the appositive found in each sentence.

1. The monkey, a nimble animal, is often found in the jungle.
2. Dave Lewis, a teacher at Lawson, works with many aspiring musicians.
3. Before you trash BoBo, your last childhood stuffed animal, consider saving it.
4. The coast of Africa, one of the world’s largest continents, is a prosperous trading region.
5. Mr. Sonntag hired two new teachers, Mr. Davies and Ms. Parker.
6. The fastest animal, the peregrine falcon, can travel more than 100 miles per hour at certain times.
7. Our family visited The Smithsonian Institution, a vast network of galleries in Washington, D.C.
8. Our neighbor and his daughters, Parvi and Sonya, take walks every evening.
9. The giant plane, a Boeing 747, launched into the air.
10. The flashlight should be returned to Mark, the owner.

Part II. Rewrite the following sentences, adding appositive phrases as specified in parenthesis. Punctuate the appositive phrases used and underline them. (Note: You can add appositives after any noun in the sentence.)

Example: The girls went to the park. (Begin your appositive with a negation.)

Answers: The girls, not the boys, went to the park.

or

The girls went to the park, not the museum.

11. Tom turned the car to the left. (Begin your appositive with a negation.)
12. The smugglers took the contaminated fish to market. (Begin your appositive with the word “fish.”)
13. The pilot ate his dessert while he was piloting the plane. (Begin your appositive with the pronoun “something.”)
14. The students entered the talent show. (Begin your appositive with the connective word “especially.”)
15. The woman drank tea before sleeping. (Begin your appositive with the word “tea.”)
16. The boys choose to go watch action movies. (Begin your appositive with the negation “never.”)
17. Doughnuts are often high in fat. (Begin your appositive with the pronoun “the kind.”)
18. The dinner was given by the people at the church. (Begin your appositive with the connective “mainly.”)
Part III. Directions -
- Write three sentences including appositives or appositive phrases:
  1) One sentence with an appositive **beginning** the sentence.
  2) One sentence with an appositive **interrupting** the sentence.
  3) One sentence with an appositive **ending** the sentence.
- Highlight the word (noun) that is renamed by the appositive or appositive phrase.
- Underline the entire appositive phrase or appositive.
- Be sure to include necessary and proper punctuation.

19. _________________________________________________________________
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20. _________________________________________________________________
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21. _________________________________________________________________
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Part IV. Combine the following sentences using appositive phrases. Punctuate and underline the appositives that are used.

22. A. The California coastline is the longest of all the states.
    B. The California coastline is a national treasure.
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23. A. The sick elephant attacked its trainer.
    B. The sick elephant is the one in the third cage.
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24. A. The careless man shot a condor.
    B. The condor is the rarest bird in California.
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25. A. The basketball players make millions of dollars a year.
    B. Kobe makes millions of dollars a year.  *(Hint: Use a connective word.)*
    C. Shaq makes millions of dollars a year.
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