

Appositives

Decide whether the underlined group of words is an appositive or a prepositional phrase. Mark your answer on the answer sheet.

1. The book *Roots*, written by Alex Haley, explores the author's ancestry.
A appositive B prepositional phrase
2. Haley spent many years of his life tracing his family tree.
A appositive B prepositional phrase
3. Kunta Kinte, a main character in *Roots*, was a slave in the United States.
A appositive B prepositional phrase
4. Kunta Kinte was a powerful man, and he never gave up on the hope that he would someday be free from slavery.
A appositive B prepositional phrase
5. The book *Roots*, a best seller for many months, was the basis for a TV series.
A appositive B prepositional phrase
6. *Roots* was made for TV as a miniseries, a show that continued for several nights in a row.
A appositive B prepositional phrase
7. For example, the miniseries *Roots* was shown for eight nights in a row.
A appositive B prepositional phrase
8. The network ABC, American Broadcasting Company, showed the miniseries in January of 1977.
A appositive B prepositional phrase
9. This television production offered excellent roles and great opportunities for many African American actors.
A appositive B prepositional phrase
10. ABC had begun to bring the miniseries to popularity in the late 1970s.
A appositive B prepositional phrase
11. It turned out to be perfect timing for Alex Haley, who published *Roots* in 1976.
A appositive B prepositional phrase
12. *Roots*, the miniseries and the book, became an important cultural phenomenon of the 1970s and 1980s.
A appositive B prepositional phrase
13. Many Americans had not acknowledged the painful history of African Americans in this country.
A appositive B prepositional phrase
14. *Roots* forced many Americans to see the truth of this history.
A appositive B prepositional phrase
15. Some sources say that the book *Roots* was introduced into study at almost five hundred colleges and universities.
A appositive B prepositional phrase
16. Alex Haley, the talented and well-respected author, was given many awards for his work, including the National Book Award.
A appositive B prepositional phrase
17. Alex Haley wrote *The Autobiography of Malcolm X*, a popular and important book.
A appositive B prepositional phrase
18. Haley spent many months with Malcolm X, the one-time leader of the Black Muslim faith.
A appositive B prepositional phrase
19. The autobiography was published after Malcolm X was shot and killed in Harlem, NY, in 1965.
A appositive B prepositional phrase
20. Alex Haley passed away on February 10, 1992, from a heart attack.
A appositive B prepositional phrase