

Language Arts 7

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Parts of Speech Review

Identify the underlined word by writing its abbreviation in the blank.

adj – adjective *v* – verb *adv* – adverb *do* – direct object *io* – indirect object
pa – predicate adjective *ap* – appositive *pn* – predicate nominative *prep* – preposition

1. _____ Abraham Lincoln has been a greatly respected and admired man since his Presidency in the mid-1800s.
2. _____ His grandfather, Abraham Lincoln, was born and raised in Rockingham County, Virginia.
3. _____ Abraham Lincoln was born on a farm near Elizabethtown, Kentucky.
4. _____ A teacher in a log schoolhouse brought Abraham and his sister Sarah a bit of education.
5. _____ When Abraham was seven years old, his father moved the family from Kentucky to southwestern Indiana.
6. _____ They built a three-sided house, and a fire burned on the fourth side night and day.
7. _____ Abraham was strong and large for his age.
8. _____ Abraham's mother died of milk sickness when he was nine years old.
9. _____ Abraham often studied by himself with textbooks he had made himself.
10. _____ He also enjoyed reading the books Pilgrim's Progress, Robinson Crusoe, and Aesop's Fables.
11. _____ Abraham was a hard worker, and many of the settlers appreciated his help on their farms.
12. _____ Denton Offutt offered Lincoln a job of taking a flatboat to New Orleans.
13. _____ Later, Lincoln studied law and became a lawyer in 1836.
14. _____ Lincoln married a high-strung and ambitious lady named Mary Todd.
15. _____ In 1858, Lincoln and Stephen Douglas had many heated debates while they were both running for a position in the U.S. Senate. Lincoln lost the election.
16. _____ The tall, thin Lincoln was elected President of the United States of America in 1861.
17. _____ The Civil War began in 1861, and was the bloodiest war ever fought on American soil.
18. _____ Lincoln was a remarkable leader during the war, yet he was not proud of his abilities.
19. _____ The terrible war finally ended on April 9, 1865.
20. _____ Several days later, as Lincoln was attending a theater, John Wilkes Booth shot Lincoln in the back of the head.
21. _____ Lincoln died on April 15, 1865, and many people deeply mourned his death.

Participles

A participle is a verb form used as an adjective. Participles usually end in *-ing*, *-ed*, *-en*, or *-t*.

Underline the participles in these sentences. Draw arrows to the words they modify.

1. The bent old man stooped even farther to care for the delicate roses in his flower garden.
2. He glanced up the winding path and noticed a young girl near his finest plant, a rosebush with deep red blooms.
3. "Hello!" he called to her. She did not answer, and his kind, inquiring eyes watched her for several minutes.
4. After a bit, she came toward him; her rapidly moving fingers showed that she was deaf.
5. "I'm sorry. I don't understand." His whispered words did not communicate as well as his shaking head, and she turned away with a disappointed look.

Diagramming Participles

Diagram these sentences containing participles.

6. The speeding cars frightened the little boy.
7. Daddy eats burnt toast in the morning.
8. The iced cupcakes looked tempting.

Appositive Adjectives

Appositive adjectives are adjectives that come directly after the word they modify. Usually compound, they are set off with commas.

Circle the appositive adjectives in these sentences.

Draw an arrow from each to the word it modifies.

1. James, tall and quiet, did not enjoy mingling with the other boys his age.
2. The book, ragged and torn, was still a favorite.
3. The river, wide and turbulent, daunted the explorers.
4. Ridgeview Park, cool and green, beckoned the weary bikers.

Diagramming Appositive Adjectives

Diagram these sentences.

5. The bedroom, small and airless, was quite uncomfortable.
6. The evening train, long and sluggish, puffed noisily along the tracks.
7. We enjoyed the music, beautiful and harmonious.

