Appositives

Definition

Conjunctions An appositive is a second noun, or a phrase or a clause equivalent to a noun, that is placed beside another noun **to explain it more fully.**

For example

Jojo, a member of the Hitler Youth, changes his perspective on Jewish people over the course of the film.

An appositive is a phrase that can be removed or covered up without making the entire sentence incomplete. If we omitted the phrase, "a member of the Hitler Youth", in the example above, we would still have a complete sentence. However, the inclusion of the phrase adds more information to the sentence.

Why learn to use appositives?

- provides an effective strategy for creating topic and concluding sentences
- allows the inclusion of more information in a sentence to add complexity.