Appositive Practice 3

Combining: Study the model, and then combine the sentences that follow into one sentence that imitates the model. Change the first sentence to resemble the first sentence part of the model, the second sentence to resemble the second sentence part of the model, etc. Then, write

Example:

* Model: Mr. Cattanzara, a stocky, bald-headed man who worked in a change booth on an IRT station, lived on the next block after George’s, above a shoe repair store.

–Bernard Malamud, “A Summer’s Reading”

Sentences to be combined:

1. This is about Jan Carter.
2. She is an unabashed, suntanned flirt.
3. She had smiled at him in the cafeteria line.
4. She transferred to the department near Tom’s.
5. She transferred for a “chance” meeting.

* Combined sentences:
  + Jan Carter, an unabashed, suntanned flirt who had smiled at him in the cafeteria line, transferred to the department near Tom’s for a “chance” meeting.
* Imitation:
  + Tom Zengler, the slower, more heavy-handed pianist who had studied under Professor Samione for a decade, performed in the recital hall near Jacob’s with an obvious competitive attitude.

1. *Model:* Among the company was a lawyer, a young man of about twenty-five. –Anton Chekhov, “The Bet”

1. She was near the statue.
2. She was an obvious tourist.
3. She was an oriental lady.
4. She had a Kodak camera.

Combined:

Your imitation:

2. *Model*: Sady Ellison, the daughter of Long Butt Ellison, worked as a waitress for Turkey Plott in a defiant and condescending fashion. –Wayne Kernodle, “Last of the Rugged Individualists”

1. This is about *Gone with the Wind.*
2. That is the movie with the most reissues.
3. It originated as a novel.
4. The novel was of the old South.
5. The novel was by someone who was unglamorous.
6. The someone was also unknown.
7. The someone was an authoress.

Combined:

Your imitation:

3. *Model*: Captain Bentick was a family man, a lover of dogs and pink children and Christmas. –John Steinbeck, *The Moon Is Down*

1. “Missouri” is a casserole.
2. The casserole is special.
3. It is a blend of several ingredients.
4. It has potatoes.
5. It has tomatoes.
6. The tomatoes are stewed.
7. It has hamburger.

Combined:

Your imitation:

4. *Model*: He was close to twenty and had needs with the neighborhood girls, but no money to spend, and he couldn’t get more than an occasional few cents because his father was poor, and his sister Sophie, who resembled George, a tall, bony girl of twenty-three, earned very little, and what she had, she kept for herself. –Bernard Malamud, “A Summer’s Reading”

1. We were far from our destination.
2. In addition, we were making good time on the interstate.
3. But there was no time to squander.
4. In addition, Dad wouldn’t stop more than twice a day.
5. Although we kids were itchy, he wouldn’t stop.
6. In addition, Mom was the one who kept the peace.
7. She was a shred, gentle arbitrator.
8. She had Solomon’s mind.
9. She circumvented some flare-ups.
10. She did something with those she couldn’t circumvent.
11. She left those to heaven.

Combined:

Your imitation: