

PRACTICE 16.5B Identifying and Correcting Dangling Modifiers

Read each sentence, Then, rewrite each sentence, correcting any dangling modifiers by supplying missing words or ideas.

EXAMPLE Hiking through the woods at night, many animal sounds were heard.

ANSWER Hiking through the woods at night, I heard many animal sounds.

1. Bom in Uganda, America seemed like a dream.
2. Running down the hallway, the elevator door closed.
3. After mopping the floor, the dog tracked mud through the kitchen.
4. To get the job, a test must be passed.
5. While climbing the mountain, a herd of goats was spotted.
6. Remaining calm, the entire building was evacuated.
7. When she was asleep, the babysitter carried the infant to her crib.
8. To reach the bottom of the canyon, safety must be considered.
9. Feeling exhausted, the road seemed to go on forever.
10. When he was three, Paul's father got a new job.

Practice B Identifying Dangling Modifiers

Read each sentence, Write **NO** next to the sentence that do not have a dangling modifier.

Example: a. While throwing a tantrum, the toy truck broke.

b. While throwing a tantrum, the Little boy broke his toy truck. **NO**

1. a. After painting the mural, the child development room appeared friendly and inviting.
b. After we painted the mural, the child development room appeared friendly and inviting.
2. a. Lounging in the pool she felt all her cares slip away.
b. Lounging in the pool, all her cares slipped away.
3. a. Born in Austin, Texas, I round the city of Eek. Alaska, remote and glacial.
b. Born in Austin, Texas, the city of Eek, Alaska, seemed remote and glacial.

Practice C Correcting Dangling Modifier.

Read each sentence. Then, rewrite each sentence, correcting any dangling modifier by Supplying missing words or ideas.

Example: While sailing the lake, five flocks of geese new overhead.

Answer. While my father sailed the lake, five flocks of geese overhead.

1. When he was in second grade, Julio 's youngest brother was born.
2. While visiting Memphis, my favorite country Singer there performed.
3. Applauding loudly, the performers came out for an encore.
4. Running to catch my flight, my suitcase was left behind.
5. Carrying the full can carefully, the paint did not spill.