

PRACTICE 17.1C Recognizing the Four Principal Parts of Verbs

Read each set of words. Find the verb that is in the form indicated in parentheses. Write the word and **its present tense**.

EXAMPLE: jumping, fly, swoop (present participle)

ANSWER: Jumping, Jump

1. shrinking, like, said (past)
2. worked, trying, listen (past)
3. smile, (have) grinned, winking (past participle)
4. scribble, typed, studying (present participle)
5. coloring, sketch, (have) painted (present participle)
6. whistle, (have) played, strumming (past participle)
7. close, shutting, slammed (past)
8. (have) cried, leap, laughing (past participle)
9. bowed, surprise, sighing (past)
10. dancing, performed, trip (present participle)
11. memorizing, start, honored (past)
12. arrived, lining, guide (past)
13. (have) denied, face, absorbing (past participle)
14. weigh, telling, prepared (past)
15. washing, (have) carried, print (past participle)
16. grin, (have) sketched, sighing (past participle)
17. completing, carried, honor (present participle)
18. run, walked, rehearsing (present participle)
19. going, see, (have) said (present participle)
20. did, lie, showing (present participle)

Practice B Identifying the Four Principal Parts of Verbs

Read each sentence. Then, complete each sentence by filling in the blank with the verb form indicate in parentheses.

Example: The artist _____ his work in a small, local museum. (past)

Answer: exhibited

1. Uncle Gus _____ at the courthouse. (present)
2. The horse is _____ in his stall. (present participle)
3. A major ballet company _____ at our school. (past)
4. The doctor has _____ an x-ray of the patient's arm. (past participle)
5. I _____ up this mountain three times. (past)

