

### SKILL 4: BE CAREFUL OF PRESENT PARTICIPLES

**EXERCISE 4:** Each of the following sentences contains one or more present participles. Underline the subjects once and the verbs twice. Circle the present participles and label them as adjectives or verbs. Then indicate if the sentences are correct (C) or incorrect (I).

- C 1. The companies (offering) the lowest prices will have the most customers.  
ADJ.
- I 2. Those travelers are completing their trip on Delta should report to Gate Three.  
VERB
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. The artisans were demonstrating various handicrafts at booths throughout the fair.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. The fraternities are giving the wildest parties attract the most new pledges.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. The first team winning four games is awarded the championship.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. The speaker was trying to make his point was often interrupted vociferously.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. The fruits were rotting because of the moisture in the crates carrying them to market.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. Any students desiring official transcripts should complete the appropriate form.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. The advertisements were announcing the half-day sale received a lot of attention.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. The spices flavoring the meal were quite distinctive.