

Practice A Identifying Participles and Participial Phrases

Read each sentence. Write down the participle or participial phrase in each sentence.

Example: The boy standing by the water fountain is my friend Pete.

Answer: standing by the water fountain

1. Turning the corner, slipped on the ice.
2. Brandon, sneaking into the theater, ran right into his parents.
3. Mr. Bashear's stalled because of an overheated radiator.
4. When we camp, we eat canned meat.
5. Amused by Our Jim laughed at us.
6. I was kept awake by my snoring Sister
7. Hiding under the bed, our kitty feels safe.
8. The tattered banner sun bangs on our front porch.

Practice B Identifying Present and Past Participles

Read the sentences. Then write the participle on the line provided and label it a past participle or a present participle.

Example: Ben shot piece after piece of crumpled paper into the trash can.

Answer: crumpled — past participle

1. The intruding sounds of voices distracted me from my work
2. The falling snow made for a lovely walk through the park.
3. My Gabi hid under the pile of fallen leaves.
4. The police recovered my stolen bicycle.
5. She minted at me with her extended forefinger
6. I was grateful for my lightened load.
7. Kwan and I saw six or seven shooting stars.
8. In the Canyon, Debra looked up at the jutting rocks.
9. With no time to iron, I put on the Wrinkled shirt.
10. My frightened baby sister peeked out from the closet.

PRACTICE 19.1J Distinguishing Verbs and Participles

Read the sentences. Then, write verb or participle for the underlined word in each sentence.

EXAMPLE Trusty Toys is a growing business.

ANSWER participle

1. The tired worker took a break.
2. Luis and I are going to the movies tomorrow.
3. Julie is a member of the planning committee.
4. We have been working on our science project.
5. Waiting patiently in the cold, the students chatted together at the bus stop.
6. We should be finished in half an hour.
7. Corey was carefully lifting the heavy suitcase.
8. The winners were not all chosen today.
9. I took three books out of the library, including an Indian cookbook.
10. When was the car's gas tank last filled?