

ADVANCED PLUS UNIT 4

4.1 Participle clauses

- Underline the participle clause in each sentence.
 - My job is to repair cars damaged in accidents.
 - Dancing to the music, my sister slipped and fell in front of all the guests.
 - Items purchased more than 30 days ago cannot be returned for a full refund.
 - Dripping constantly, the noise from the tap kept me awake.
 - Having read the good news, he grabbed the letter and threw it into the air.
 - My old car, rusted from years of rain, sits behind the tool shed.
- Complete the sentences with the *present, past or perfect participle form of the verbs in brackets*.
 - (read) _____ the newspaper, Janet decided to go out.
 - (prepare) _____ by her children, Eva was enjoying the luxury of breakfast in bed.
 - (stop) _____ by the police for speeding, Matthew searched for his driving licence.
 - (spend) _____ all his own money, Frank asked his brother for a loan.
 - (want) _____ to catch up with old friends, Mary organised a Sunday brunch.
 - (build) _____ by hand, the cupboards looked perfect in the newly decorated kitchen.
- Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first. Make a participle clause from the phrases in *italics*.
 - He was working on a complex project* and he was extremely stressed.
_____, he was extremely stressed.
 - The old woman sat at the bedroom window* and watched people walk by.
_____, the old woman watched people walk by.
 - When I had lost some weight* I was able to fit into my old suit.
_____, I was able to fit into my old suit.
 - We were surprised by the rain shower* and had to hurry inside.
_____, we had to hurry inside.
 - Anna recognised the place immediately *because she had been there once before*.
Anna recognised the place immediately,
_____.

4.2 Introductory *it* and *there*

- Match sentence halves 1–5 with a)–e).
 - It's you
 - It's no coincidence
 - It's a mistake
 - It upsets
 - It was
 - to interfere in your children's lives.
 - that we ran into each other at the library.
 - my brother who won. I didn't enter the competition.
 - I should thank for the lovely gift.
 - me to think that she's all alone.
- Complete the sentences with the best options a), b) or c).
 - _____ a good bakery on the corner.
a) There is b) There have been c) There are
 - _____ be a problem with her car. It's being repaired.
a) There appears b) There appears to c) There's
 - _____ many stories told about that old house on the hill.
a) There was b) There have been c) There is
 - _____ nothing more to say about it.
a) There's b) There be c) There are
 - _____ no harm in trying, you know.
a) There to b) There have been c) There's
 - She'd like _____ be three wedding cakes.
a) there b) there to c) there are
- Complete the sentences with *it* or *there*.
 - _____ is so easy to find fault with others.
 - _____ is no harm in asking her for advice.
 - _____ is some fresh, cold milk in the refrigerator.
 - _____ was strange that she never said hello to anyone.
 - Is _____ anyone who can help me with this?
 - To be honest, _____ was no surprise that he lost his job.
 - _____ is no wrong answer to the question.
 - _____ is claimed that the fire had started by accident.
 - What weird weather for December. _____ is too hot to wear a coat.
 - I didn't expect _____ to be so many people in the audience today.