Participles

Reminder: A verb tells you what the subject in the sentence is doing or being.

Verbs exist in many forms. One of these forms is the participle.

A participle is a verb form that exists at the present and future tense. It is either used as an adjective or with the verb *to be* to make other verb tenses. (C'est ton participe présent et participe passé en français.)

Ex:
Participle used as an adjective → The child ran to his **loving** father.
Participle used to form another verb tense → I was **walking** alone. (past continuous)

Take the verb *to live*. Its present participle is living. To form a present participle, you add -ing. There are little changes to the spelling of the root verb (infinitive) if it does not end in a consonant. live → living: drop the "e" before adding -ing;
work → working: add ing; Sometimes, if the infinitive ends in a consonant, it must be doubled for the participle. plan → planning

Its past participle is lived. To form a past participle, you add -ed (or -d if the verb ends in an "e"). live → lived: add -d; work → worked: add –ed; Sometimes, if the infinitive ends in a consonant, it must be doubled for the participle. plan → planned

A. Form the present participle of the following verbs.
   1. to whisper _____
   2. to run _____
   3. to sing _____
   4. to laugh _____
   5. to drink _____
   6. to travel _____

B. Form the past participle of the following verbs.
   1. to clean _____
   2. to show _____
   3. to plant _____
   4. to play _____
   5. to plan _____

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6. to burn _____

C. Determine if the participle used in the sentence (it is in bold) is used as an adjective or a verb. **Write adjective** or **verb** on the line.

1. The **towering** pines are the tallest trees in the forest. _____
2. The **frozen** river is not always safe to cross. _____
3. Ingrid was **running** as fast as she could. _____
4. Cory was the only **surviving** passenger in the wreck. _____
5. The kitchen was **cleaned** only yesterday. _____
6. The **dedicated** writer will eventually get published. _____

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