Answer key

Ex.1. Choose the correct form

- 1 boring
- 2 relaxing
- 3 interested
- 4 embarrassing.
- 5 frightened
- 6 annoyed
- 7 tired
- 8 worrying

Ex. 2

- 1 Taking a deep breath, Lisa dived into the water.
- 2 Jack burnt his finger (while) lighting a fire.
- 3 Having ironed/After ironing the clothes, Ann put them away.
- 4 Being cold, James turned on the heater.
- 5 The photographs taken at the reception were blurred.
- 6 Alison washed the paintbrushes before painting the living room./After washing the paintbrushes Alison painted the living room./Having washed the paintbrushes, Alison painted the living room.
- 7 She was sitting on the sofa knitting a jumper.
- 8 The girl sitting next to Alison is Vicky.
- 9 Having forgotten to do the shopping, he ate out that night.
- 10 Turning the key in the lock, Emma opened the door.

Ex.3. Rewrite the sentences using a present participles or perfect participle phrases.

- 1 I smelt something burning.
- 2 I went round to see her hoping for reconciliation.
- 3 While hating the job, he did it for many years.
- 4 She came in looking furious.
- 5 Having plenty of time to spare, I had a good look round the town.
- 6 Wearing only a pair of shorts, he walked out into the darkness.
- 7 Having been out all day, I was quite happy to stay in for the evening.
- 8 The bedrooms overlooking the sea are the best ones in the hotel.
- 9 We're wasting time sitting here and doing nothing.
- 10 I have changed my job since last writing to you.
- 11 Before making a decision, I need to discuss it with my partner.
- 12 After having been friends for twenty years, we suddenly had a big argument and haven't seen each other since.
- 13 Having failed one of my exams, I couldn't get into university.
- 14 Loving her so much, he forgave her for everything.
- 15 I left them doing the washing-up.

Ex. 4. Rewrite the sentences below using a past participles phrase or being + participle phrase.

- 1. Been hidden in the cellar, the money was not discovered for many years.
- 2. Frequently criticized for his self centered attitude, he was nonetheless very popular.
- 3. After being released from prison, Andy could not find a job anywhere.
- 4. Always dominated by the same people, the committee meetings were slow moving and ineffectual.
- 5. Although, he ridiculed by everybody, he continued to pursue his bizarre projects.
- 6. Unless destroyed, this material could have damaging consequences.
- 7. Jennifer had been shoplifting for many years before being found out.
- 8. Exhausted through lack of sleep, I fell asleep at my desk.
- 9. Abandoned by his parents at an early age, Peter took to stealing.

Ex. 5. Fill in the correct participle form. (Present Participle, Past Participle or Perfect Participle) reading a magazine. 1. He was sitting in an armchair 2. Having worked_____ in the company for many years, he knew everyone and everything. with milk stood on the table. 3. The cup filled Not having seen each other for ages, they had a lot to talk 4. about. into a rich family, she got everything she wished for. 5. Being the child of poor people, he often went to bed hungry. 6. Regretting his words, he apologized. 7. 8. _, we are very proud of you. Having parked ____ the car, he went to a restaurant. 9. _Having watched_____ the film a dozen times, she knew the 10. dialogues by heart. Ex. 6. Choose the most appropriate answer. 1. We saw a lot of _ chairs in the basement. a. being broken b. breaking c. broken d. having broken 2. You look . What's the matter? a. being worried b. having worried c. worried d. worrying 3. The man with Mrs. Smith is her son's teacher, if I'm not mistaken. a. being talked b. having talked c. talked d. talking 4. The second question at the conference yesterday was very interesting. a. being discussed b. discussed c. discussing d. having been discussed 5. When I looked out of the window, I saw her _____ the street.

10. Although written many years ago, the book is still relevant today.

a. crossed
b. crossing
c. having crossed
d. being crossed
6. I heard the children over something and went to see what it was.
a. being fought
b. fighting
c. fought
d. having fought
7 my work on the report, I locked my office and went home.
a. Being finished
b. Finished O
c. Having been finished d. Having finished
8. The weather pleasantly warm, we stayed in the park all day.
O a. been O
b. being
c. having been
d. is
9. This sentence is clear and unambiguous:
a. A fox was seen driving home.
b. Driving home, a fox was seen.
c. Driving home, I saw a fox.
d. I saw a fox driving home.
10. This sentence is clear and unambiguous:
a. Disappointed, the customers left the department store.
b. Disappointed, the department store was left by the customers.
c. The customers disappointed left the department store.
d. The customers left the department store disappointed.