

# **Participles**

□ A **participle** is a verb form that can function as an adjective. Kinds of participle

Kinds	Forms	Examples
Present Participles	Ending in <b>-ing</b>	•The <b>losing</b> player got ashamed.
Past Participles	Ending in <b>–ed</b> or other irregular ending	•The married couple have jobs.
Perfect participles	Having + Past Participle Having been + Participle	•Having been warned, he never goes out at night.

#### I. Choose the correct answer.

1. Did you enjoy the horror film?

No. It was very **frightened** / **frightening**.

2. Mark is always biting his nails.

I know. It's an extremely **annoyed / annoying** habit.

3. Why doesn't John study French?

He is not **interested / interesting** in learning a foreign language.

4. What did you think of that new restaurant?

It was awful! The food was **disgusted / disgusting**.

5. Miss Shaw is a wonderful teacher.

Yes. She is always **encouraged / encouraging** in her attitude towards the students.

6. Do you like windsurfing?

Yes. I find it very **excited / exciting**.

7. Vicky is good at art, isn't she?

Yes. I was **impressed / impressing** by her paintings.

8. Did you see the fireworks last night?

Yes. It was an **amazed / amazing** display.

### II. Transform the sentences using participles.

Example: Because she was tired, Katie went to bed.

Being tired, Katie went to bed.

- 1. He was sitting in the garden and he was drinking his tea.
- 2. After Janet had made dinner, she called the children.
- 3. The boy who is standing by the door is my brother.

- 4. Simon cut his hand while he was chopping some wood.
- 5. Donna had a shower before she went to bed.
- 6. Because we were late, we took a taxi.
- 7. Gary opened the window and breathed the fresh air.
- 8. She was lying on her bed and she was reading a book.
- 9. The jewels which were taken by the thieves were very valuable.
- 10. Amy picked up her pen and started to write the letter.

#### III. Choose the correct answer.

- 1. He was sitting in an armchair **reading / read / having read** a magazine.
- 2. **Working / worked / having worked** in the company for many years, he knew everyone and everything.
- 3. The cup **filling / filled / having filled** with milk stood on the table.
- 4. Not **seeing / seen / having seen** each other for ages, they had a lot to talk about.
- 5. **Bearing / born / having born** into a rich family, she got everything she wished for.
- 6. **Being / been / having been** the child of poor people, he often went to bed hungry.
- 7. **Regretting / regretted / having regretted** his words, he apologized.
- 8. Well **doing / done / having done**, we are very proud of you.
- 9. **Parking / parked / having parked** the car, he went to a restaurant.
- 10. **Watching / watched / having watched** the film a dozen times, she knew the dialogues by heart.

## IV. Open the brackets using participles.

- 1. (to do) his homework, he was thinking hard.
- 2. (to do) his homework, he went for a walk.
- 3. (to sell) fruit, he looked back from time to time, hoping to see his friends.

- 4. (to sell) all the fruit, he went to see his friends.
- 5. (to eat) all the potatoes, she drank a cup of tea.
- 6. (to drink) tea, she scalded her lips.
- 7. (to run) in the yard, I fell and hurt my knee.
- 8. (to look) through some magazines, I came across an interesting article about UFOs.
- 9. (to write) out and (to learn) all the new words, he was able to translate the text easily.
- 10. (to talk) to her neighbor in the street, she did not notice how a thief stole her money.