

Lesson 9 ENGLISH I

Book work

Exercise 1

Underline the participles in the following sentences.

1. We saw a man leading a monkey.
2. I met him coming down the street.
3. Mounting his horse, the soldier rode away.
4. Clapping its hands for joy, the child laughed loudly.
5. I can hear him singing a song.
6. Singing in a chorus, we went on our way.
7. I pity that woman carrying such a heavy load on her head.
8. The boys, playing in the maidan, had a merry time.
9. Waving their handkerchiefs, the people cheered the President.
10. They heard the people ringing the bells.

Exercise 2

Underline the present and past participles in the following sentences and state the noun or

pronoun to which each refers:

1. Walking along the road, he saw a cobra. . walking - refers to 'he'
2. Hearing the noise, he looked through the window. hearing - refers to 'he'
3. Deceived by his friends, he lost all hope. deceived - he
4. Staggering back, he sank to the ground. staggering - refers to 'he'
5. Landing at Calais, we proceeded to Paris. landing - refers to 'we'

6. Having no guide with us, we lost our way. having - refers to 'we'
7. Driven by hunger, he stole a piece of bread. driven - he
8. I saw the boy posting the letter. posting - posting refers to 'the boy'
9. I saw the letter posted. posted - letter
10. Surrounded by the enemy, the army was forced to surrender. surrounded - army
11. A soldier wounded in the war came limping by. wounded - soldier
12. Taking pity on the mouse, the magician turned it into a cat. taking - refers to the magician'

Exercise 3

Note each sentence and state whether it is correct or incorrect. If correct, underline the noun or pronoun to which the participle refers. Rewrite correctly all incorrect sentences.

1. Wishing to borrow a book, he called on me yesterday. correct
2. Returning from the theatre, it began to rain. incorrect
3. Beaten at every point, the enemy fled from the field. correct
4. Running across the road, the child fell. correct
5. While cleaning the cage, the bird escaped. incorrect

Returning from the theatre, we got caught up in the rain.

While cleaning the cage, she let the bird escape.

6. Walking along the street, a hundred-rupee note was found. incorrect

Walking along the street, he found a hundred-rupee note.

7. Surrounded by the enemy, the battle was lost. incorrect

Surrounded by the enemy, we lost the battle.

8. Standing on the top of the hill, the eye roams over a beautiful landscape. incorrect

Standing on the top of the hill, we have our eye roaming over a beautiful landscape.

Exercise 4

Tell gerund and participle in the following sentences.

1. I remember reading the book long ago. gerund
2. Preparing the meal required only a short time. gerund
3. I do not like working these sums. gerund
4. I saw Mr Patel running for a bus. participle
5. Running for a bus, he slipped and fell. gerund
6. The boys love swimming in the sea. gerund
7. A great wave came rolling towards the boat. participle
8. We met a woman carrying a heavy load. participle
9. Feeling quite secure, the burglar slept soundly. participle
10. Hearing the noise, he ran to the window. Participle

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Q1. What is a participle?

Ans. A word that partakes of the nature of a verb and an adjective is known as participle.

Q2. What is present participle?

Ans. Participles ending in -ing describe incomplete actions, are called present participles.

Q3. What is a past participle?

Ans. Participles ending in -e, -en, -d and -t describes completed actions, are called past participles.