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## VERBALS: PARTICIPLES – NOTES

Grammar Review #5

**PARTICIPLE** → a form of a verb that functions as a \_\_\_\_\_



SAME ROLE AS AN \_\_\_\_\_!!

- Answers → Which one?
- Answers → What kind?

### TYPES OF PARTICIPLES

PRESENT PARTICIPLE → ends in “ing”

*Example:*     Squirming tapeworms are not digested in intestines.

PAST PARTICIPLE → usually ends in “ed”

*Example:*     My misguided accountant advised me to invest in socks.

BUT... do not always end in “ed”!

*Example:*     The badly shaken spiders scurried from the worn shoe.

\*\*\*\*\***BEWARE!!!!!!!**



Do not confuse a \_\_\_\_\_ with an actual \_\_\_\_\_.

PARTICIPLE →     In the snorting contest, Howie won first place, a brown nose.

VERB         →     Howie is snorting like a pig.

PRACTICE #1     We had recycled our discarded newspapers.

PRACTICE #2     We were cold in the blistering wind.

PRACTICE #3     The freezing lady put on her sweater.

**PARTICIPIAL PHRASE** → a \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_ and  
\_\_\_\_\_ that go along with it

↳ SAME ROLE AS AN \_\_\_\_\_!!

- Answers → Which one?
- Answers → What kind?

*Example #1:* Wearing a sheet with eyeholes, little Manfred went trick or treating as a mattress.

*Example #2:* Hungry, desperate vegetarians marching in front of the capitol declared that cows are plants.

*Example #3:* Wearing a long veil and a bikini, the bride shocked the wedding guests.

### \*\*\*\*\*BEWARE!!!!!!!



A participial phrase can come at the beginning, middle, or end, BUT it needs to be \_\_\_\_\_ to the word or words it \_\_\_\_\_.

WRONG: Dressing in high heels and a tight black dress, Bubba escorted Edna into the theater.

RIGHT: Bubba escorted Edna, dressed in high heels and a tight black dress, into the theater.

WRONG: Covered with fleas, my neighbor owns that stray cat.

RIGHT: My neighbor owns that stray cat covered with fleas.

WRONG: Swimming in the aquarium, Peabody observed the octopus.

RIGHT: Peabody observed the octopus swimming in the aquarium.

### PUNCTION POINTER

⊗ If a participial phrase is \_\_\_\_\_, meaning it is necessary in order to \_\_\_\_\_ the noun or pronoun it modified, do NOT use commas.

❖ ESSENTIAL: The man clipping his toenails in the theater disturbed the audience

⊗ If a participial phrase is \_\_\_\_\_, meaning it is not necessary in order to \_\_\_\_\_ the noun or pronoun it modifies, use commas.

❖ NONESSENTIAL: Izzy's igloo, located in Antarctica, comes complete with shag carpet and ceiling fans.