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VERBALS: PARTICIPLES – NOTES

Grammar Review #4

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.

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



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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 the stray cat.

RIGHT: My neighbor owns the 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 modifies, 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.