

STATION 6: Participle clauses instead of adverbial clauses of reason

Participle clauses without a conjunction (!) can be used **instead** of **adverbial clauses of reason**. The *participle clause* usually comes **first**.

Examples:

adverbial clause of reason	<u>Because</u> it has a tropical climate, Far North Queensland is always warm.
participle clause	Having a tropical climate, Far North Queensland is always warm. NOT: Because having a tropical climate, Far North Queensland is always warm.

Translation:

- Weil / Da ein tropisches Klima herrscht, ist es in Far North Queensland immer warm.

TASK:

1. Use **participle clauses** to explain the reasons.
2. Underline the **participle clause**.

- 1 I'm new in Australia. That's why I don't understand Aussie English very well.
- 2 We know all about floods because we live in the tropics.
- 3 I saw a python in the garden. I pulled out my camera to take a photo.
- 4 I knew that pythons are dangerous. That's why I was careful not to get too close.
- 5 We arrived late at the cinema, so we missed the first twenty minutes of the film.
- 6 I felt really tired, which is why I fell asleep in the middle of the movie.

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1. Being new in Australia, I don't understand Aussie English very well.
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