

MEETING 11

ADJECTIVE CLAUSE AND ADJECTIVE PHRASE (PART 2)

A. OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY

1. To recognize incomplete or missing participial phrases.
2. To explain how to determine the incomplete adjective clause.

B. THE AIMS OF THE TOPIC

1. Students are able to anticipate and recognize the reduced adjective phrases.
- 2.

C. GUIDANCE AND METHODS OF LEARNING

1. Lectures
2. Discussions
3. Presentations
4. Practices

D. MATERIAL DESCRIPTION

I. INCOMPLETE OR MISSING PARTICIPIAL PHRASES

Participial phrases generally occur after nouns. They are actually **reduced** (shortened) **relative clauses**. **Present participles** (which always end in *-ing*) are used to reduce adjective clauses that contain active verbs.

- Minnesota, *which joined the Union in 1858*, became the thirty-second state.
(adjective clause with active verb)
- Minnesota, *joining the Union in 1858*, became the thirty-second state.
(participial phrase with a present participle)

Most **past participles** end in *-ed*, but there are also many irregular forms. Past participles are used to reduce adjective clauses with passive verbs.

- William and Mary College, *which wasfounded in 1693*, is the second oldest university in the United States.
(adjective clause with a passive verb)
- William and Mary College, *founded in 1693*, is the second oldest university in the United States.
(participial phrase with a past participle)

Participial phrases can also come before the subject of a sentence.

- *joining the Union in 1858*, Minnesota became the thirty-second state.
- *Founded in 1693*, William and Mary College is the second oldest university in the United States.

Usually, the participle itself is missing from this type of Structure item, but any part of a participial phrase as well as parts of a main clause may be missing.

Sample Item

Natural resources provide the raw materials _____ to produce finished goods.

- (A) needed
- (B) are needed
- (C) which need
- (D) needing

Option (B) is a passive verb; the sentence cannot contain two main verbs (*are needed* and *provide*) in the same clause. Choice (C) creates an adjective clause, but the verb in the clause is active and a passive verb is required. (However, a relative clause with a passive verb (*which are needed*) would be a correct answer.) Choice (D) is a present participle and has an active meaning; a past participle is needed. A

II. EXERCISES

Exercise 12.1

Focus : Completing structure problems involving incomplete or missing participial phrases. (Note: One or two items in this exercises do *not* focus on participial phrases; these items are marked on the answer key with asterisks.)

Directions : Choose the one option-(A), (B), (C), or (D)-that correctly completes the sentence, and then mark the appropriate blank. The first one is done as an example.

1. Aerodynamics is the study of the forces _____ on an object as it moves through the atmosphere.
____(A) acting
____ (B) act
____ (C) are acting
__ (D) acted
2. for their strong fiber include flax and hemp.
____ (A) Plants are grown
____ (B) Plants grown
____ (C) Plants that grow
____ (D) To grow plants
3. , Jose Limon's dance troupe often toured abroad.
____ (A) The U S Department sponsored it
____ (B) Sponsored by the U.S. State Department
_ __ (C) The U.S. State Department, which sponsored it
____ (D) The sponsorship of the U.S. State Department
4. Elfreth's AlJey in Philadelphia is the oldest residential street in the United States, with _____ from 1728.
____ (A) hOllses are dated
____ (B) the dates of the houses
____ (C) the dating of houses
____ (D) hOllses dating
5. In 1821 the city of Indianapolis, Indiana, was laid out in a design _____ after that of Washington, D.C.

- ___ (A) patterned
 ___ (B) was patterned
 ___ (C) a pattern
 ___ (D) that patterned
6. in front of a camera lens changes the color of the light that reaches the film.
 ___ (A) Placed a filter
 ___ (B) A filter is placed
 ___ (C) A filter placed
 ___ (D) When a filter placed
7. The Massachusetts State House, in 1798, was the most distinguished building in the United States at that time.
 ___ (A) completing
 ___ (B) which was completed
 ___ (C) was completed
 ___ (D) to be completed
8. Barbara McClintock for her discovery of the mobility of genetic elements.
 ___ (A) known
 ___ (B) who knows
 ___ (C) knowing
 ___ (D) is known
9. The solitary scientist _____ by himself has in many instances been replaced by a cooperative scientific team.
 ___ (A) to make important discoveries
 ___ (B) important discoveries were made
 ___ (C) has made important discoveries
 ___ (9) making important discoveries
10. Geometry is the branch of mathematics _____ the properties of lines, curves, shapes, and surfaces.
 ___ (A) that concerned with
 ___ (B) it is concerned with
 ___ (C) concerned with
 ___ (D) its concerns are