

PARTICIPLE**Exercise – 1**

Pick out the Participle in each of the following sentences. Tell whether it is a Present or a Past Participle, and also how it is used:

1. Generally speaking, we receive what we deserve.
2. Having gained truth, keep truth.
3. I saw the storm approaching.
4. Hearing a noise, I turned round.
5. Considering the facts, he received scant justice.
6. The enemy, beaten at every point, fled from the field.
7. Being dissatisfied, he resigned his positions.
8. The rain came pouring down in torrents.
9. Having elected him President, the people gave him their loyal support.
10. The traveller being weary sat by the Woodside to rest.

Exercise – 2

Pick out the Participle in each of the following sentences. Tell whether it is a Present or a Past Participle, and also how it is used:

1. The fat of the body is fuel laid away for use.
2. Being occupied with important matters, he had no leisure to see us.
3. The children, coming home from school look in at the open door.
4. Michael, bereft of his son Luke, died of a broken heart.
5. Books read in childhood seem like old friends.
6. Lessons learned easily are soon forgotten.
7. A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures (baskets) of silver.
8. Seeing the sunshine, I threw open the window.
9. Seizing him by the arm, his friend led him away.
10. Encouraged by his wife, he persevered.

Exercise – 3

Combine the following pairs of sentences by making use of Participle:

1. The porter opened the gate. We entered.
2. We started early. We arrived at noon.
3. We met a man. He was carrying a load of wood.
4. The stable door was open. The horse was stolen.

5. He seized his stick. He rushed to the door.
6. The hunter took up his gun. He went out to shoot the lion.
7. A crow stole a piece of cheese. She flew to her nest to enjoy the tasty meal.
8. The wolf wished to pick a quarrel with the lamb. He said "How dare you make the water muddy?"
9. A passenger alighted from the train. He fell over a bag on the platform.
10. Nanak met his brother in the street. He asked him where he was going.
11. My sister was charmed with the silk. She bought ten yards.
12. The steamer was delayed by a storm. She came into port a day late.
13. He had resolved on a certain course. He acted with vigour.
14. He staggered back. He sank to the ground.
15. The letter was badly written. I had great difficulty in making out its contents.

Exercise – 4

Rewrite each of the following sentences, by changing the Participle into a Finite Verb:

1. It being a very hot day, I remained in my tent.
2. A gipsy, wandering across the hath, found the child.
3. I once saw a man walking on a rope.
4. Walking on the roof, he slipped and fell.
5. Having no guide with us, we lost our way.
6. The stable door being open, the horse was stolen.
7. Being paralytic, he could not walk.
8. Hearing the noise, I woke up.
9. Caesar being murdered, the dictatorship came to an end.
10. Hearing the noise, I woke up.
11. We met an old Sadhu walking to Benares.
12. Having come of age, his son entered into partnership with him.
13. Having failed in the first attempt, he made no further attempts.
14. Walking up to the front door, I rang the bell.
15. Winter coming on, the grasshopper had no food.
16. Enchanted with the whole scene, I lingered on my voyage.
17. The enemy disputed their ground inch by inch, fighting with the fury of despair.
18. Mounting his horse, bandit rode off.
19. The policeman, running with all his speed, was scarcely able to overtake the thief.
20. Not knowing my way, I asked a policeman.

PARTICIPLE KEY

Exercise – 1

1. Speaking – Present Participle, Impersonal Absolute.
2. Having gained – Perfect Participle, governing the noun '**truth**'.
3. Approaching – Present Participle, attached to the noun '**storm**'.
4. Hearing – Present Participle, governing the noun '**noise**'.
5. Considering – Present Participle, Impersonal Absolute.
6. Beaten – Past Participle, qualifying the noun '**enemy**'.
7. Being dissatisfied – Present Participle, qualifying the pronoun '**he**'.
8. Pouring – Present Participle, attached to the verb '**come**'.
9. Having elected – Perfect Participle, governing the pronoun '**him**'.
10. Being – Present Participle, used absolutely with the noun '**traveller**'.

Exercise - 2

1. Laid – Past Participle; qualifying the noun '**fuel**'
2. Being occupied – Present Participle, qualifying the pronoun '**he**'.
3. Coming – Present Participle, qualifying the noun '**children**'.
4. Bereft – Past Participle, qualifying the noun '**Michael**'.
5. Read – Past Participle, qualifying the noun '**books**'.
6. Learned – Past Participle, qualifying the noun '**lessons**'.
7. Spoken – Past Participle, qualifying the noun '**word**'.
8. Seeing – Present Participle, governing the noun '**sunshine**' and qualifying the pronoun '**I**'.
9. Seizing – Present participle, governing the pronoun '**him**' and qualifying the noun '**friend**'.
10. Encouraged – Past participle, qualifying the pronoun '**he**'

Exercise – 3

1. The porter **opening/having opened** the gate, we entered.
2. **Starting/ Having started** early, we arrived at noon.
3. We met a man **carrying** a load of wood.
4. The stable door **being** open, the horse was stolen.
5. **Seizing/Having seized** his stick, he rushed to the door.
6. **Taking /Having taken** up his gun, the hunter went out to shoot the lion.

7. **Stealing/Having stolen** a piece of cheese, a crow flew to her nest to enjoy the tasty meal.
8. **Wishing** to pick a quarrel with the lamb, the wolf said, "How dare you make the water muddy"?
9. **Alighting/Having alighted** from the train, he fell over a bag on the platform.
10. **Meeting/Having met** his brother in the street, Nanak asked him where he was going.
11. **Being charged** with the silk, my sister bought ten yards.
12. **Being delayed** by a storm, the steamer came into port a day late.
13. **Having resolved** on a certain course, he acted with vigour.
14. **Staggering** back, he sank to the ground.
15. The letter being badly written, I had great difficulty in making out its content.

Exercise- 4

1. As it was a very hot day, I remained in my tent
2. A gipsy wandered across the path and found the child
3. I once saw a man who was walking on a rope.
4. When he was walking on the roof, he slipped and fell.
5. As we had no guide with us, we lost our way.
6. As the stable door was open, the horse was stolen.
7. As he was paralytic, he could not walk.
8. I heard the noise and woke up.
9. Caesar was murdered and the dictatorship came to an end.
10. I worked all day and was fatigued.
11. We met an old Sadhu who was walking to Benares.
12. When his son had come of age, he entered into partnership with him.
13. He failed in the first attempt and made no further attempts.
14. I walked up to the front door and rang the bell.
15. As winter came on, the grasshopper had no food.
16. As I was enchanted with the whole scene, lingered on my voyage.
17. The enemy fought with the fury of despair and disputed their ground inch by inch.
18. The bandit mounted his horse and rode off.
19. The policeman ran with all his speed and was scarcely able to overtake the thief.
20. As I did not know my way, I asked a policeman.