

**GERUND****Exercise – 1**

Point out the Participles and Gerunds in the following sentences. In the case of the Participle, name the noun or pronoun which it qualifies. In the case of the Gerund, state whether it is subject, object, complement, or used after a preposition.

1. He was found fighting desperately for his life.
2. He has ruined his sight by reading small print.
3. Hearing the noise, he ran to the window.
4. We saw a clown standing on his head.
5. Asking questions is easier than answering them.
6. Waving their hats and handkerchiefs, the people cheered the king.
7. Walking on the grass is forbidden.
8. Jumping over the fence, the thief escaped.
9. The miser spends his time in hoarding money.
10. Much depends on Rama's returning before noon.
11. Amassing wealth oft ruins health.
12. I was surprised at Hari's being absent.
13. We spent the afternoon in playing cards.
14. The miser hated spending money.
15. Captain Hardy congratulated him on his gained a complete victory.
16. Praising all alike is praising none.
17. Are you afraid of his hearing you?
18. I determined to increase my salary by managing a little farm.
19. Success is not merely winning applause.
20. The year was spent in visiting our rich neighbours.

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1. Fighting – Participle, qualifying the pronoun '**he**'.
2. Reading – Gerund, object of the preposition '**by**'.
3. Hearing – Participle, qualifying the pronoun '**he**'.
4. Standing – Participle, qualifying the noun '**clown**'.
5. Asking – Gerund, subject of the verb '**is**'  
Answer – Gerund, subject of the verb '**is**'. (understood)
6. Waving – Participle, qualifying the noun '**people**'.
7. Walking – Gerund, subject of the verb '**is forbidden**'.
8. Jumping – Participle, qualifying the noun '**thief**'.
9. Hoarding – Gerund, object of the preposition '**in**'.
10. Returning – Gerund, object of the preposition '**on**'.
11. Amassing – Gerund, subject of the verb '**ruins**'.
12. Hearing – Participle
13. Playing – Gerund, object of the preposition '**in**'.
14. Spending – Gerund, object of the verb '**hated**'.
15. Singing – Gerund
16. Praising – Gerund, subject of the verb '**is**'. Praising – Gerund, complement of the verb '**is**'.
17. Hearing – Gerund, object of the preposition '**of**'.
18. Managing – Gerund, object of the preposition '**by**'.
19. Winning – Gerund, complement of the verb '**is**'.
20. Visting – Gerund, object of the preposition '**in**'.