

Exercise on Misplaced and Dangling Modifiers

In the following pairs, one sentence is correct; and the other sentence has a misplaced or a dangling modifier. Mark the CORRECT sentence.

1. A_____ Looking toward the south, a funnel-shaped cloud stirred up the dust.
B_____ Looking toward the south, I saw a funnel-shaped cloud stir up the dust.
2. A_____ They saw a fence made of barbed wire behind the house.
B_____ They saw a fence behind the house made of barbed wire.
3. A_____ After following the vision program for two weeks, my doctor told me that my eyesight had improved.
B_____ After I had followed the vision program for two weeks, my doctor told me that my eyesight had improved.
4. A_____ We saw several birds looking out our window.
B_____ Looking out our window, we saw several birds.
5. A_____ The four men eating lunch talked quietly in the corner.
B_____ The four men talked quietly in the corner eating lunch.
6. A_____ Racing across the parking lot, the bus was reached before the door closed.
B_____ Racing across the parking lot, I reached the bus before the door closed
7. A_____ Being only five, the doctor did not know how to operate on me.
B_____ Because I was only five, the doctor did not know how to operate on me.

8. A_____ Mary nearly watched two hundred movies last year.
B_____ Mary watched nearly two hundred movies last year.
9. A_____ To enter the contest, you must send an entry form with your slogan.
B_____ To enter the contest, an entry form must be sent with your slogan.
10. A_____ I remember seeing the picture of the firefighter who had been injured on the morning news.
B_____ I remember seeing on the morning news the picture of the firefighter who had been injured.