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Participle Clauses: Shortening Sentences with -ing and Having + Past Participle

Medium | B1 | Intermediate | Clause | Negation | Participle

1. Your friend wants to combine two ideas into one smooth sentence. Select ALL the correct ways to rewrite this using a **present participle clause (-ing form)**:

Original: "Because she was exhausted from her workout, she skipped cooking dinner."

Select all that apply.

- **A)** Being exhausted from her workout, she skipped cooking dinner.
- **B)** Having exhausted from her workout, she skipped cooking dinner.
- **C)** Exhausted from her workout, she skipped cooking dinner.
- **D)** She was exhausted from her workout, skipping cooking dinner.

2. Your colleague is explaining how they finished a big project. Help them combine these sentences into one elegant statement.

Original: "After she had submitted the report, she finally relaxed."

_____ the report, she finally relaxed.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

- **A)** Having submitted
- **B)** Submitting
- **C)** Have submitted
- **D)** Had submitted

3. You're describing a tricky moment during a study session. Select ALL the correct ways to rewrite this sentence using a **negative participle clause**:

Original: "Because he didn't know the formula, he made an educated guess on the test."

Select all that apply.

- **A)** Not knowing the formula, he made an educated guess on the test.
- **B)** Not known the formula, he made an educated guess on the test.
- **C)** Knowing not the formula, he made an educated guess on the test.
- **D)** Not having memorized the formula, he made an educated guess on the test.

4. You're helping a colleague polish a work email. Combine these two actions into one elegant sentence using a perfect participle clause (Having + past participle).

Original: "After I had reviewed all the documents, I sent the report to my manager."

_____ all the documents, I _____ the report to my manager.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** Having reviewed
- **B)** Reviewing
- **C)** Having review
- **D)** Being reviewed

Blank 2

- **A)** sent
- **B)** send
- **C)** was sending
- **D)** have sent

5. Your friend is telling you about their gym session. Help them combine these sentences using a **perfect participle clause (Having + past participle)**.

"After I had completed my workout, I grabbed a smoothie."

Choose the correct rewrite.

Select one.

- **A)** Completing my workout, I grabbed a smoothie.
- **B)** After having completed my workout, I grabbed a smoothie.
- **C)** Having completed my workout, I grabbed a smoothie.
- **D)** Being completed my workout, I grabbed a smoothie.

6. You're writing about your travel day in your journal. Select ALL the sentences that correctly use a **perfect participle clause (Having + past participle)** to show one action was completed before another:

Select all that apply.

- **A)** Having checked in online, I went straight to the gate.
- **B)** Checking in online, I had gone straight to the gate.
- **C)** Having packed my bags the night before, I felt relaxed in the morning.
- **D)** Having check in online, I went straight to the gate.

7. Your friend is journaling about their morning. Help them combine two ideas into one smooth sentence using a present participle clause (-ing form).

Drag the correct words to complete the sentence.

Original: "Because I was exhausted from the gym, I skipped breakfast."

_____ exhausted from the gym, I _____ breakfast.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** Being
- **B)** Having been
- **C)** Was
- **D)** Been

Blank 2

- **A)** skipped
- **B)** skip
- **C)** was skipping
- **D)** had skipped

8. Oops! Something's wrong here. Select ALL the sentences that correctly fix this **dangling participle** error:

Incorrect: "Walking to the bus stop, the rain started pouring."

Select all that apply.

- **A)** Walking to the bus stop, I got caught in the pouring rain.
- **B)** Walking to the bus stop, it started raining heavily.
- **C)** As I was walking to the bus stop, the rain started pouring.
- **D)** The rain started pouring, walking to the bus stop.

9. You're describing a tricky exam moment. Rewrite this sentence using a **negative present participle clause**.

"Because she didn't know the answer, she made an educated guess."

Choose the correct rewrite.

Select one.

- **A)** Don't knowing the answer, she made an educated guess.
- **B)** Knowing not the answer, she made an educated guess.
- **C)** Not knowing the answer, she made an educated guess.
- **D)** Being not known the answer, she made an educated guess.

10. You're journaling about your morning. Combine these two ideas into one smooth sentence by selecting the correct option.

Original: "Because I was exhausted from staying up late, I hit the snooze button three times."

_____ from staying up late, I hit the snooze button three times.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

A) Being exhausted
B) Was exhausted
C) Exhausted being
D) Having exhausted