

Lesson 221

Parts of the Sentence - Verbals - Participles

A **participle** is a **verbal** and is used as an **adjective**. Participles end in various ways. They modify **nouns** and **pronouns** and can precede or follow the word they modify.

A **present participle** always ends with *ing* as does the **gerund**, but remember that it is an adjective. A **past participle** ends with *ed*, *n*, or *irregularly*.

Examples:

played, broken, brought, sung, seeing, having seen, being seen, seen, having been seen

Instructions: Find the **participles** in these sentences and tell what word they modify.

1. The bike had a broken spoke.
2. Her smiling face made everyone happy.
3. The frightened child was crying loudly.
4. The people were frightened by the growling dog.
5. The squeaking wheel needs some grease.