

Participle

A participle is a verb that is used as an adjective which modifies a noun or a pronoun. Katie, searching, found the tent. "Searching" is a verb used as an adjective.

Each verb has two participle forms: present participle (-ing) and past participle (-ed). Irregular endings are -en, -n, or -t. Examples: shaven, known, felt.

A participial phrase contains a participle and any words needed to modify or complement its meaning.

The entire participial phrase acts as an adjective.

Comma Rule: When a participial phrase begins a sentence it is followed by a comma and always modifies the subject.

Name: _____