

Participle clauses

I can use participle clauses correctly.

1 Circle the correct past or present participle form to complete the participle clauses.

- We stayed in a villa **belonged** / **belonging** to my grandparents.
- These scientists have designed a car **powered** / **powering** by solar energy.
- He jumped from a train **travelled** / **travelling** at nearly 100 km/h.
- The men **decorated** / **decorating** our house have made a real mess of the furniture.
- They spent the night in a traditional Mongolian tent **known** / **knowing** as a yurt.
- The police arrested a man **taken** / **taking** photos of the military base.
- The tourists saw a message **written** / **writing** in large, white letters on the cliff.
- His flat is full of old furniture **given** / **giving** to him by his grandfather.

2 Underline one participle clause in each sentence. Then write it as a full relative clause (defining or non-defining).

- I bought a copy of *Twilight* signed by the author.
which had been signed by the author
- I can see three cyclists not wearing helmets.

- She keeps getting emails from companies wanting to employ her.

- Three paintings stolen from the National Gallery have been found.

- This class is only for students studying nineteenth-century literature.

- His autobiography, published in 1931, was called *Far From Home*.

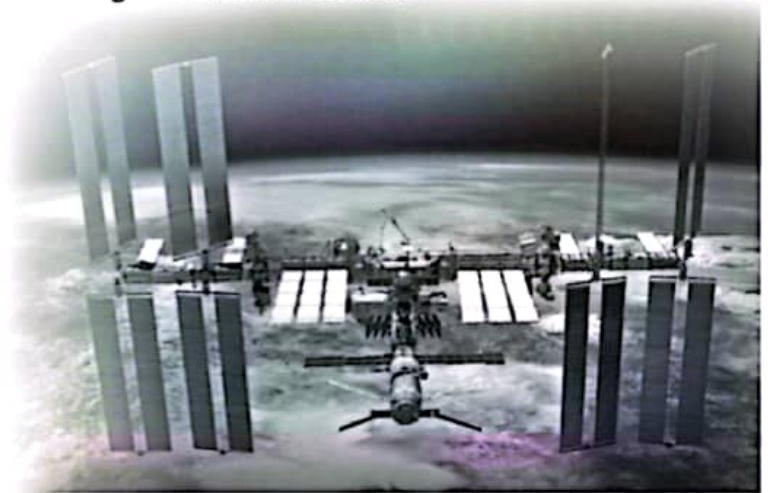
- I asked some girls standing outside the hotel to take a photo of us.

- We remind passengers that any luggage left on the platform will be destroyed.

- This book is a useful guide for students not living at home.

- We stayed in an amazing hotel room decorated to look like a space capsule.

3 Complete the text with participle clauses with the same meaning as the clauses in brackets.



The largest man-made object in space is the International Space Station (ISS), ¹ _____ (which was built) by the European Space Agency and the space agencies of America, Canada, Japan and Russia. These five agencies, ² _____ (who worked) together for many years, launched the ISS in 1998. Since then, they have all been sending astronauts, ³ _____ (who have been trained) to carry out important scientific work, to the space station. Chris Hadfield, ⁴ _____ (who was chosen) as one of Canada's astronauts, became well known for uploading photos ⁵ _____ (which had been taken) in space to his social networking pages. He also recorded videos, ⁶ _____ (which included) his own performance of the song *Space Oddity*, ⁷ _____ (which was written) by pop star David Bowie. The video, ⁸ _____ (which has been watched) by about 25 million people so far, made Chris Hadfield even more famous.

4 Combine the two sentences using a participle clause. Sometimes you need to add the clause in the middle of the sentence.

- We visited a palace. The palace was built 400 years ago.
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- Astronauts get homesick. They spend weeks in space.

- I lost a watch. It belonged to my cousin.

- A man sat down next to me. He smelled of coffee.

- The debates will help voters to decide. They will be shown live on TV.

- He gave me a small box. It contained a key.
