CHAPTER 10

Participials (old)

Participial phrases

past participial phrases

progressive participial phrases

participial adjectives

prepositional phrases

restrictive vs. nonrestrictive phrases

Task:

Identify the participial phrases (where present).

Identify the semantics of the participial phrase.

Identify the underlying clause (where appropriate).

1. The reporter describing the murder scene didn’t reveal the gory details.
2. Most of the doctors trained in Ohio practice in other states.
3. George Harrison posed as a monk in prayer.
4. Our national frustration with welfare is exploited by some politicians.
5. The books sold at this sleazy newsstand are not available in the city library.
6. Wall Street traders investing in foreign markets have earned 12% interest this year.
7. The restaurant served shrimp boiled in a special creole sauce.
8. The Red Cross sent relief to all the countries stricken with malarial dysentery.
9. Rural communities across America lack physicians.
10. The police scattered the young men loitering outside the convenience store.
12. The New York Philharmonic aims at lucid performances filled with orchestral detail polished to a high sheen.
13. There are no quick fixes for broken children.
14. Shaq looks like a monster. But he is a gentle man with a great smile.
15. The judge denied the objection made by the defense attorney.
16. The casino’s credit-checking system discourages players who want to gamble excessively.
17. NASA draws upon knowledge accumulated over decades.
18. Children are unnerved by parents suffering job distress.
19. The first city destroyed by an atomic bomb was Hiroshima.
20. The land around this church was the first property blacks owned in our town after the Civil War.
21. There are several Vietnamese dishes on the restaurant’s menu.
22. Some trees growing at an angle can straighten themselves up.
23. Companies advertising in Vogue aim toward women in their thirties.
24. Three teenage girls admitted to the hospital yesterday had attempted suicide.
25. Major dance companies throughout the world still perform Balanchine’s ballets.
26. Penguins in Antarctica can’t avoid the throngs of human tourists.
27. New Hampshire is the state with the first presidential primary.
28. The peak covered by new snow attracted most of the skiers.
29. The Druid ritual begins with a sudden shout that surprises the audience.
30. The Miami dolphins face a difficult defensive task.
31. The physicians in the rehab program have compulsive behavior patterns.
32. Kids selling crack on the streets have become common sights in our big cities.
33. Throngs crowding the Anchorage streets cheered the dogsled teams starting the Iditarod race.
34. The apiary at Miami University is surrounded by a wall that protects the bees from onlookers.
35. Pop singers like Linda Ronstadt often cross over and record country tunes.
36. My friends in politics have complex personalities.
37. Your Dodge dealer can provide details about the rebate.
38. The two Egyptian statues carved in granite completed the Louvre’s Middle Kingdom exhibit.
39. The vet sedated the zoo’s tiger with a tranquilizer made for house cats.
40. Hideo Nomo was the first major league player from Japan since the 60s.
41. Leslea Newman’s Fat Chance is a good book for any young woman struggling with bulimia or anorexia.
42. Parents who overprotect their children may be abusing them with love.
43. The first hookless fasteners produced in 1893 snagged and tore clothes. But zippers have improved and become commonplace on clothes, camping gear, and luggage.
44. Jerry Garcia would play a phrase, repeat it, and toy with it like a cat toying with a mouse.
45. Humphrey Bogart’s character in Casablanca is tough but sentimental.
46. Winterset, Iowa, has become a mythical place in the hearts of middle-aged Americans entranced by the romantic power of The Bridges of Madison County.
47. Elvis’s leather outfit is one of the gems displayed at the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum in Cleveland.
48. The AARP is the most powerful lobbying group in Washington.
49. Television has made Olympic gymnasts like Mary Lou Retton and Nadia Comaneci into household names.
50. Two Argentine paleontologists excavated the remains of a carnivorous dinosaur like Tyrannosaurus Rex.