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PARTICIPIAL PHRASE

EXERCISE: Find the participial phrase in the following sentences. Then, mention what each participle modifies.

1. The swimmer, shaking with cold, quickly grabbed a towel.

Participle Phrase: _____ Modifies: _____

2. Trying to open the gate, I scratched my arm on a twig.

Participle Phrase: _____ Modifies: _____

3. A large pickup truck loaded with boxes and furniture turned into the driveway.

Participle Phrase: _____ Modifies: _____

4. Appreciated for his contribution, Dr. Mathew was given an award.

Participle Phrase: _____ Modifies: _____

5. The soldier, having saluted his superior, continued his training.

Participle Phrase: _____ Modifies: _____

6. Building quickly, the clouds became dark and stormy.

Participle Phrase: _____ Modifies: _____

7. Shouting angrily, the man ran after the pickpocket.

Participle Phrase: _____ Modifies: _____

8. The blankets piled on the bed need to be washed.

Participle Phrase: _____ Modifies: _____

9. Moving with grace and stealth, the cheetah approached its prey.

Participle Phrase: _____ Modifies: _____

10. Waiting for the bus, we played a few rounds of a card game.

Participle Phrase: _____ Modifies: _____

11. The teacher, having retired, enjoyed long morning walks.

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12. Looking down at his shoes, Allen saw they were caked with mud.

Participle Phrase: _____ Modifies: _____

13. The spruce trees, having been planted and nurtured, were almost large enough to harvest.

Participle Phrase: _____ Modifies: _____

14. The German shepherd lying by that man's feet is a kind and loyal pet.

Participle Phrase: _____ Modifies: _____

15. The trophy won by the baseball team was a symbol of their success.

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Answer Keys:

	PARTICIPIAL PHRASE	MODIFIES
1.	Shaking with cold	Swimmer
2.	Trying to open the gate	I
3.	Loaded with boxes and furniture	Truck
4.	Appreciated for his contribution,	Dr. Mathew
5.	Having saluted his superior	Soldier
6.	Building quickly	Clouds
7.	Shouting angrily	Man
8.	Piled on the bed	Blankets
9.	Moving with grace and stealth	Cheetah
10.	Waiting for the bus	We
11.	Having retired	Teacher
12.	Looking down at his shoes	Allen
13.	Having been planted and nurtured	Trees
14.	Lying by that man's feet	German shepherd
15.	Won by the baseball team	Trophy