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Directions: Underline the participle or participial phrase in each sentence.

1. Laughing, Dave rescued the whining puppy from the high bed.
2. Chosen by the selection committee, Cindy felt extremely honored.
3. Leaping over the hurdles, Cindy appeared as graceful as an antelope.
4. The burned brownies did not satisfy my chocolate craving.
5. Running quickly, the policeman caught the burglar.
6. After tripping on my shoes, my mother demanded that I put them away.
7. Before applying for this job, I need to read the requirements carefully.
8. Wrapped in crispy bacon, the green beans were delicious.
9. Having completed the training program, Henry was ready to go to work.
10. Unprepared for the bad news, the family burst into tears.
11. Being the best on my team, I was shocked when Jim was chosen as the captain.
12. Jill and Terrie tired from working out decided to take a nap.
13. Abandoned animals need somebody to take care of them.
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