

PARTICIPLE CLAUSES (PŘECHODNÍKY)

I. Simultaneous actions

Original: Bob **walked** through the park and talked on his cellphone.

PC: **Walking** through the park, Bob talked on

II. Explaining the reason for something

Original: Bob **was** dead tired, so he worked slowly.

PC: (**Being**) dead tired, Bob worked slowly.

Original: Bob **did not know** the way, so he got lost.

Negative: **Not knowing** the way, Bob got lost.

III. Previous action, substitute for předminulý čas

Original: Since Bob **had finished** his phone calls, he went home.

PC: **Having finished** his calls, Bob went home.

OR: **After finishing** his calls, Bob went home.

(OR: **Before** going home, Bob finished his calls.)

Seeing the current situation, I think we should.

(Colloquial: **Seeing as** he's so grumpy, I wouldn't ask him the question now.)

Considering the weather, I want to stay home.

Regarding the report, he said that...

Knowing what I know now, I realize I have made a mistake.

EXAMPLES:

- Having heard that Bob collects butterflies, I asked him about it.
- He sprinkled me with confetti.
- (Being) drunk too quickly, coffee can give you hiccups.
- Drinking coffee too quickly, you can get hiccups.
- Crawling across the road, I saw a snake.
- I saw a snake crawling across the road.
- The war being over, he returned home to Prčice.
- Considering our budget, I think that we should....
- Seeing how she reacted last time, we should...
- Hearing the key being turned in the lock, I died of fear. I was scared to death.
- I prepared some documents for the Sitko Festival. I visited the ruins of Hukvald.
- Having prepared some documents for Sitko, I (then) visited the ruins.
- Drinking coffee and Cabernet Moravia, I prepared the documents for Sitko. That's why it came out square instead of circular ☺.