Participial Phrases

A. Directions: Read each sentence. Underline the participial phrase. Circle the subject that the phrase modifies.

1. Suffering from lack of sleep, children can’t focus on their schoolwork.
2. The mayor concentrating on public support, wants to make everyone happy.
3. Working long hours, the carpenters finished repairing the crumbling walls.
4. Swerving sharply to the right, the driver almost hit the pothole.
5. The school should be the top priority, according to the middle school parents.

B. Directions: Write two sentences using participial phrases.

1. Example: Speaking loudly, the tour leader told us about the site’s history.
2. Example: According to the weather reports, it will be sunny tomorrow.