

NON-FINITE VERBAL FORMS: THE PERSISTENCE OF PAST PARTICIPIAL CLAUSES IN TEXTS ON CULTURAL HISTORY AND ARCHITECTURE

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THE ENGLISH VERB

1) FINITE VERBAL FORMS

2) NON-FINITE VERBAL FORMS

a) Infinitive (Present Infinitive, Perfect Infinitive)

b) Gerund (Present Gerund, Perfect Gerund)

c) Participle

- Present Participle (+ Perfect Participle)

- Past Participle

Non-finite verbal forms in English and Slovene

Some environments preferred over others:

En.: *I must work.* Sl.: *Moram delati.*

En.: *My goal is to finish school.*

Sl.: *Moj cilj je, da naredim/končam šolo*

**Moj cilj je končati šolo.*

En.: **My goal is that I finish school.*

FUNCTIONS OF PRESENT AND PAST PARTICIPLE

PRESENT PARTICIPLE in phrase structure (Blaganje/Konte 2004: 331-332)

- *PreM in nominal phrases, e.g. The setting sun was hidden by the clouds.*
- *as PostM in nominal phrases, e.g. the greatest poet living.*
- *as H in nominal phrases, e.g. the living and the dying.*
- *PreM in adjectival phrases, e.g. The water was steaming hot.*
- *as H in adjectival phrases, e.g. The journey was very tyring.*

PRESENT PARTICIPLE in sentence structure (Blaganje/Konte 2004: 332) :

- *adverbial adjunct, e.g. Laughing he admitted that his father was right.*
- *predicator in non-finite clause, e.g. I heard the children singing.*

PAST PARTICIPLE in phrase structure (Blaganje/Konte 2004: 334)

- *H in a nominal phrase*, e.g. The accused were defended by ...
- •*PreM in a nominal phrase*, e.g. The beaten enemy retreated.
- *PostM in a nominal phrase*, e.g. The number of soldiers killed is considerable.
- *H in an adjectival phrase*, e.g. They were very surprised at finding the house empty.

PAST PARTICIPLE in sentence structure (Blaganje/ Konte 2004: 334):

- *adverbial adjunct*, e.g. Spent with grief she slept at last.
- *predicator in non-finite clauses*, e.g. John Edwards saw his name written on the notice-board.

TIME INDICATION OF THE PARTICIPLES

The PRESENT participle in clauses usually denotes ***simultaneity*** or ***anteriority***

- She entered the room, singing a happy song. (simultaneity)
- Entering the room, she noticed that something was wrong. (anteriority)

The PAST participle in clauses, too, can express ***simultaneity*** and ***anteriority***

Disappointed *by what he said*, she entered the room. (simultaneity)

Hit by a truck, the pedestrian had little choice but go to a hospital. (anteriority)

Simultaneity and anteriority rather than time

- P: She entered the room, *singing a happy song*.

Pr: She enters the room, *singing a happy song*.

F: She will enter the room, *singing a happy song*.
- P: *Disappointed by what he said*, she entered the room.

Pr: *Disappointed by what he said*, she enters the room.

F: *Disappointed by what he said*, she will enter the room.

Meaning of the PRESENT and PAST PARTICIPLES in participial clauses

PRESENT PARTICIPLE – **active** in character

En.: She entered the room, singing a happy song.

Sl.: In starček je od veselja plakal, gledaje slavnega junaka.

PAST PARTICIPLE – **passive** in character

En.: Disappointed by what he said, she entered the room.

Sl.: Sezidana iz kamna, (se je hiša dvigala visoko proti oblakom).

Passive in character – passive in cultural history

The PASSIVE character of the PAST PARTICIPLE in the participial clause – in texts on cultural history with verbs relating to building and positioning, such as “built”, “situated”, “structured”, “erected”.

- Jordan: **situated on** the eastern limits of the Levant, Jordan is a fledgling country in an ancient land. Its modern borders encompass biblical kingdoms, ...
www.questia.com/PM.qst?a=o&d=5002027257
- The Kensington Lighthouse, **located in** Melbourne, Australia, on a 160 sqm strip of land. The house is made from two sunshells, ...
www.trendhunter.com/trends/kensington-lighthouse

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<http://www.lapiroquebiggame.com/history.htm>

Situated on the River Nile, Cairo is famous for its own history, preserved in the fabulous medieval Islamic city and Coptic sites in Old Cairo. ... *wikitravel.org/en/Cairo*

Situated on the southern tip of India alongside the azure Arabian Sea, Kerala is a beautiful Indian state and globally famous tourism ...
[...www.articlesbase.com](http://www.articlesbase.com)

Situated on the north coast of Mallorca it has a long sandy beach which stretches from the marina all the way west to the Port ...

www.aroundmallorca.com/can-picafort.php

Situated on the golden sandy beaches of Corralejo right on the shores of the Atlantic Ocean, the hotel enjoys spectacular views across Lobos Island and ...

www.atlantishotels.com/.../FS_Fuerteventura_En_160805.pdf

Hazelwood B&B ***situated on*** the shores of the beautiful Kenmare Bay, two miles from Kenmare town, Hazelwood is set amongst acres of natural woodland and ...

www.kenmare-bnb.com/

Perth is a very modern city, ***situated on*** the lovely Swan River. It has a compact layout and many wonderful shops and eateries throughout the city itself. ...

www.healthstaffrecruitment.com.au/Perth-Western-Australia.php

Are you any better than the city of Thebes, ***situated on*** the Nile River, surrounded by water? She was protected by the river on all sides, walled in by water ...

www.bible.cc/nahum/3-8.htm

Situated on the Orange Walk-Corozal district boundary, Nohmul (Great Mound) is a major ceremonial centre with origins in the Middle Pre-Classic period ... www.paradisepath.com/belize_maya_sites_nohmul.htm

Aerial View of the Omani Capital, **Situated on** Muscat Bay of the Gulf of Oman is a photographic print by james I. stanfield, size is 12 x 9 in, the price is ...

www.keyposters.com/poster/3257188.html

Situated on the outskirts of Geneva, CERN is the leading centre for particle physics in the world. The Large Hadron Collider (LHC) with its 27 km ring ...

www.measurement.sk/2006/S1/Lackner.pdf

The Hilton Hotel Tahiti – built on the very land where Princess Pomare made her oceanfront home a century before and opened in 1960 as the first resort ... (The Hilton Hotel Tahiti – built on the very land where Princess Pomare made her oceanfront home a century before and opened in 1960 as the first Tahitian resort whose design was inspired by Polynesian culture – is completing a \$20 million renovation in 2006.)

www.tahiti-and-vacation.com/hotels/.../hilton-hotel-tahiti/

Situated on a narrow street lined with historic and colourful colonial houses on Colombia's Caribbean coast is The Tcherassi Hotel + Spa.

...www.facebook.com/weheart/posts/212815145405907

Our company **situated on** Bang Makham Beach in the north-west of the island of Koh Samui is a luxury real estate agent of exclusive beach and seaview land ...

www.beachrealtysamui.com/

BARDIA NATIONAL PARK ROYAL BARDIA NATIONAL PARK. Situated in the mid far western Terai, in a remote part of Nepal, bordered by the Karnali River, the National Park covers 968 sq. km.

www.foresthideaway.com/bardia_national_park.php

Düsseldorf is a multicultural city, **situated on** the Rhine and surrounded by nature. The "Old City" (in German: „Altstadt“) of Düsseldorf has numerous street ...

www.iik-duesseldorf.de/deutschkurse/sommerkurse.php

Situated on a great tidal estuary, sculpted with gentle hills and rocky outcroppings, and conditioned by four distinct seasons, the natural biodiversity of ...

www.nytelecom.vo.llnwd.net/o15/agencies/.../planyc_2011_natural_systems.pdf

Passive character – architecture – literature

Located at 4210 Silver Hill Road just outside of Washington, D. C., the museum is a massive zigzag-shaped edifice constructed of five interconnected pods – each pod larger than a football field. (Brown 2009: 43)

Built in three distinct tiers of increasing architectural complexity from bottom to top – Doric, Ionic, and Corinthian – the structure stands as a physical symbol of man's intellectual ascent. (Brown 2009: 389)

Perplexed, Langdon left him there and hurried outside. (Brown 2009: 462)

Franklin Square is located in the northwest quadrant of downtown Washington, bordered by K and Thirteenth streets. (Brown 2009: 462)

Carved thirteen hundred years before Jesus took his first breath – this numinous monolith had no relevance there, no link to modern Christianity. (Brown 2009: 478)

Wrapped in wool blankets, Langdon stood on wobbly legs and stared down at the open tank of liquid. (Brown 2009: 547)

Robert, buried within the hollow cornerstone of this monuments, our forefathers placed a single copy of the word – the Bible – which waits in darkness at the foot of this staircase. (Brown 2009: 642)

THANK YOU!