

## BLOQUE 4: ORACIONES DE PARTICIPIO Y DE GERUNDIO

### ORACIONES DE GERUNDIO

Señal de nivel muy alto. Cuanto más se usen en writing, mejor. Dos tipos:

#### PRESENTE: AL SER...

**GERUNDIO + RESTO DE LA FRASE , SUJETO + VERBO + RESTO FRASE**

Being from Spain , we speak perfect Spanish

#### More examples:

Al ser de España, hablamos un español perfecto.

Having three kids, my life is so stressful: al tener tres hijos, mi vida es muy estresante.

Being a millionaire, Bill Gates has nothing to worry about: al ser millonario, BG no...

#### PASADO: AL HABER...

**GERUNDIO COMPUESTO + RESTO FRASE, SUJETO + VERBO + RESTO FRASE**

Having studied two degrees , we are well prepared

#### More examples:

Having got married three times, Janet can't afford another divorce: al haberse casado...

Having lost 30 pounds, she feels more energised: al haber perdido...

Having said "yes" to his proposal, Kate married Tom in Bahamas: al haber dicho que sí...

### Exercise: translate

- Al ser de Madrid, conduzco como si estuviera en la selva:  
Being...
- Al ser australiano, James tiene un acento muy gracioso:
- Al trabajar en Amazon, Macarena conocerá a muchos americanos interesantes.
- Both being (al ser los dos) from Rumania, Sergey and Vicky realised they were soul mates:
- Being parents to four children, Inés and Joaquín's home looks like a hut:
- Working while I listen to music, I find myself more productive:
- Having had the flu, I'm out of danger this winter:  
Al haber tenido...
- Having worked really hard, my sister is really enjoying her holidays:  
Al...
- Having worked at Disney and Warner Bros, she knows what it's like to have a fun job:

**Homework: cuatro frases más con cada tipo**

## ORACIONES DE PARTICIPIO

**PARTICIPIO + RESTO DE LA FRASE , SUJETO + VERBO + RESTO FRASE**

Set in the 50s , 'Selma' tells the story of...

### Más ejemplos:

- ↪ Directed by Spielberg, 'Indiana Jones' is a classic action film: dirigida por Spielberg...
- ↪ Starred by Meryl Streep, 'Mamma Mia!' is one of my favorite movies: protagonizada...

### Translate!

- ↪ Cantada por Justin Timberlake, 'Can't Stop the Feeling' quickly became number 1:  
Sung...
- ↪ Located in Denia, our house is in a very safe area.
- ↪ Set in the late 90s, 'As Good... as It Gets' won two Oscars.

### Homework: write five more sentences

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## ORACIONES DE PARTICIPIO CONCERTADO

**POSESIVO + GERUNDIO + VERBO + RESTO DE LA FRASE**

Our singing

bothers

my neighbor

☞ Se puede sustituir por “the fact that” (“el hecho de que”).

**Ojo:** en inglés americano no se pone posesivo, sino pronombre personal (“me,” “you,” “us”...).

**Ojo 2:** con nombres no se pone “Al’s getting...” a no ser que sea súper formal (Downton Abbey).

### **More examples:**

Their dying made me really sad: el hecho de que murieran me puso muy triste.

Karen having three pets really stresses her sometimes: el hecho de que K tenga tres mascotas...

Cate and Sandy working together makes them a great team.

### Exercise: translate

- El hecho de que Albert sea de Madrid es una coincidencia:

Albert being from Madrid...

- Dan working with Amy makes them a strong team:

- Ross and Rachel getting married was a total surprise (spoiler).

- Our buying a house is going to be so expensive:

Homework: write five more sentences