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Student's answers may vary. Example of correct answers:

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Scrambling for the touchdown, Tim dropped the ball on the 10 yard line.

2. She saw the ghost glancing out the window.

Glancing out the window, she saw the ghost.

3. Reaching the advanced age of eight, my grandmother thought it was time to teach me to cook.

When I reached the advanced age of eight, my grandmother thought it was time to teach me to cook.

4. Screaming for help, the rescuers were nowhere to be found.

The rescuers were nowhere to be found even after the hiker screamed for help,

5. Like most pets, our teacher says goldfish require good care.

Our teacher says goldfish, like most pets, require good care.

6. After running to school, the bell still rang before Clarence got there.

Although Clarence ran to school, the bell still rang before he got there .

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The book in the library was very boring.

8. They said it was going to snow on the television.

They said on the television it was going to snow.
