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PRESENT
PARTICIPLE

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□ What is the difference between a gerund and a present participle?

• Both a gerund and a present participle come from a verb, and both end in –ing. However, each has a different function. A gerund acts like a noun while a present participle acts like a verb or adjective.

➤ Example: snowboarding



❑ Snowboarding

- Snowboarding is fun (gerund). He is snowboarding (present participle).**
- Snowboarding can be a gerund or a present participle.**
- When snowboarding is a gerund, it acts like a noun. It can be a subject, an object, the object of a preposition, or a subject complement.**

•Snowboarding is a winter sport. [snowboarding = subject]

•I love snowboarding. [snowboarding = object]

•I am excited by snowboarding. [snowboarding = object of a preposition]

•One popular sport is snowboarding.

[snowboarding = subject complement]

•When snowboarding is a present participle, it is part of a continuous verb tense.

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- **Right now, the athlete is snowboarding. [is snowboarding = present continuous]**
- **He was snowboarding yesterday afternoon. [was snowboarding = past continuous]**
- **Tomorrow, my friends and I are going to be snowboarding. [are going to be snowboarding = future continuous]**

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•Unlike a gerund, a present participle can act like an adjective that modifies a noun or follows the be verb.

Example: exciting



❑ Exciting Roller Coaster

- An exciting time was had by all!**
- The word exciting is a present participle used as an adjective to modify a noun or to follow the verb to be.**
- The exciting ride made the people scream.**

[adjective + noun]

- People enjoyed the exciting roller coaster.**

[adjective + noun]

- The roller coaster is exciting. [be verb + adjective]**