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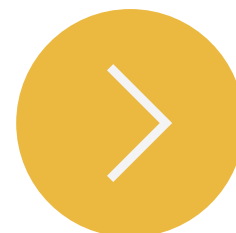
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WHAT IS THE PARTIZIP 1 (PRESENT PARTICIPLE)?

The Partizip 1 is also called Partizip Präsens (present participle). In English, it is the "-ing" version of the verb. But pay attention: German doesn't know a continuous mode/tense. (We use Präsens - simple present tense instead). Therefore, unlike in English, we only use it as an adjective that replaces a subordinate clause when describing that things happen simultaneously.

Examples:

- „Der **telefonierende** Mann fährt Auto.“
- „Die **laufende** Frau hört Musik.“
- „Der vor der Tür **stehende** Mann ruft nach dir.“

THE CONSTRUCTION

Infinitive + d

Infinitive	+d	Present Participle
schlafen	+d	schlafend
rennen	+d	rennend
fahren	+d	fahrend

The only exception: sein → seiend / tun → tuend

USE OF THE PARTIZIP 1

It can be used as an adjective instead of subordinate clauses when two actions occur simultaneously:

Version with Partizip 1:

- „Der **telefonierende** Mann bestellt ein Bier.“

Version without Partizip 1:

- „Der Mann, **der telefoniert**, bestellt ein Bier.“

SUMMARY

- Construction of the present participle: Infinitive + "-d".
- It is used as an adjective instead of subordinate clauses when two actions occur simultaneously.

TIP

Partizip 1 as an adjective: Something is happening at the same time.

- „Der **herunterfallende** Apfel ist grün.“
- „Der Apfel fällt.“ „Der Apfel ist grün.“

Partizip 2 as an adjective: Something has happened earlier on.

- „Der **heruntergefallene** Apfel ist grün.“
- „Der Apfel ist heruntergefallen.“ „Er ist grün.“

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