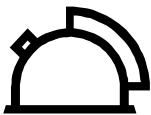
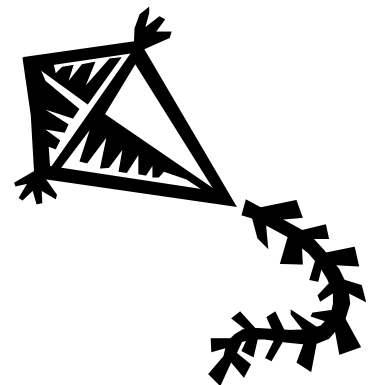

Present Participle

Present participle: verb or adjective?

The fire was roaring fiercely.
We sat in front of a roaring fire.

Pick out the present participle in the following sentences and say whether it is working as a verb or as an adjective:

1. We heard a whistling kettle.
2. Mum was mending a bike puncture.
3. A dripping tap annoyed me.
4. Dancing children followed the piper.
5. She is swimming strongly.
6. Galloping horses came into sight.
7. Was he flying a kite?
8. Walking home, I met Molly.



Now make up four sentences of your own. Two should have a present participle working as a verb. The other two should have a present participle working as an adjective.