Combine the following pairs of sentences by using participles.

1. We met a boy. He was carrying a heavy bag.
2. The house was decorated with lights. It looked beautiful.
3. The robbers saw the policeman. They ran away.
4. I found the door open. I went inside.
5. The police saw the body. It was floating down the river.
6. He cried at the top of his voice. He rushed at the thief.
7. We had worked for several hours. We came out of the office.
8. The troops gave a blow to the enemy. It was stunning.
9. His handwriting was illegible. I couldn’t figure out what he had written.
10. We make some friendships in childhood. They last for ever.
11. The sun had risen. We set out on our journey.
12. I walked along the road. I saw a snake.
13. He lost all his money in gambling. He became a pauper.
14. I took a cue from his words. I solved the riddle.
15. The burglars broke the door open. They entered the house.
16. He didn’t realize the implication of his words. He went on speaking.
17. The enemy forces had been defeated by our army. They retreated fast into their own territory.
18. It was a fine day. Everybody was out on the roads.

Answers

1. We met a boy carrying a heavy bag.
2. Decorated with lights, the house looked beautiful.
3. Seeing the policeman, the robbers ran away.
4. Finding the door open, I went inside.
5. The police saw the body floating down the river.
6. Crying at the top of his voice, he rushed at the thief.
7. Having worked for several hours, we came out of the office.
8. The troops gave a stunning blow to the enemy.
9. His handwriting being illegible, I couldn’t figure out what he had written.
10. Friendships made in childhood last for ever.
11. The sun having risen, we set out on our journey.
12. Walking along the road, I saw a snake.
13. Having lost all his money in gambling, he became a pauper.
14. Taking a cue from his words, I solved the riddle.
15. Breaking the door open, the burglars entered the house.
16. Not realizing the implication of his words, he went on speaking.
17. Having been defeated by our army, the enemy forces retreated fast into their own territory.
18. It being a fine day, everybody was out on the roads.