**The absolute phrase - practice**

To practice writing sentences with absolute phrases, combine each pair of sentences below into one sentence that contains an absolute phrase. You will have to add, delete, change, and rearrange words. ***Example:*The flower's petals wilted. It looked pathetic. Its petals wilted, the flower looked pathetic.**

1. Jane Berferschmidt’s face beamed. She enjoyed the crowd's cheers after her nomination for Vice President.
2. Her appointment was confirmed. Sarah Bananaworth became the first female national security adviser.
3. Jack drove his Camaro with the roof down. His mullet was flapping in the breeze.
4. The zombie closed in on Rick. It had rotting flesh hanging from its face.
5. The storks circled above us. Their slender bodies were sleek and black against the orange sky.

Are you ready to have your mind blown? Check this out. Here’s a sentence from Michael Crichton’s *Travels*:

***She burst into sobs, her whole body shaking, tears streaming down her face.***

Do you see how it has a double absolute phrase? Isn’t that double awesome? Try writing a couple of these yourself in the space below.