Combine two sentences using a participle

Study the following sentences.

He stood by the table. He was examining some papers.
We can combine these two sentences into one.

He stood by the table examining some papers.

Exercise

1. She walked out ........................................
   smiling
   smiled

2. He lived alone .......................................... by everybody.
   forgetting
   forgotten

3. The old man sat outside ........................................... his pipe.
   smoking
   smoked
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4. The girl entered the room ............................................. a song.
   singing
   sang

5. The boy stood up ............................................... himself to them.
   showing
   shown

6. There is a woman .............................................. her eyes out over there.
   crying
   cried

7. Not ............................................. what to do, I phoned the police.
   knowing
   known
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Answers

1. She walked out smiling.

2. He lived alone forgotten by everybody.

3. The old man sat outside smoking his pipe.

4. The girl entered the room singing a song.

5. The boy stood up showing himself to them.

6. There is a woman crying her eyes out over there.

7. Not knowing what to do, I phoned the police.

Notes

There are two types of participles – present participles and past participles. Present participles always end in -ing.

Past participles may end in -d, -ed, -en, or -t.