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including, *prep.*

Pronunciation: Brit. /ɪnˈkluːdɪŋ/, /ɪŋˈkluːdɪŋ/

, U.S. /ɪnˈkludɪŋ/, /ɪŋˈkludɪŋ/

Frequency (in current use):

Origin: Formed within English, by derivation. **Etymons:** English *including*, INCLUDE *v.*

Etymology: < *including*, present participle of INCLUDE *v.*

The prepositional use arose when the participle was no longer limited to the function of complement to a preceding noun phrase.

Used to indicate that the specified person or thing is part of the whole group or category being considered: with the inclusion of.

- 1648 J. LEWIS & T. BEST *Let.* 4 Dec. in W. Foster *Eng. Factories in India 1646–50* (1914) 224 Four servants died, including the cook.
- 1712 R. STEELE *Spectator* No. 294. ¶1 Sixteen hundred Children, including Males and Females, put out to Methods of Industry.
- 1763 T. SMOLLETT *Let.* 5 Nov. in *Trav. France & Italy* (1779) 75 We found plenty of..poultry and game, including the red partridge.
- 1838 S. V. BONE *Precedents in Conveyancing* II. 77 Full payment of the said annuity up to and including the day of re-purchase.
- 1853 J. RUSKIN *Stones of Venice* II. vi. 185 A large body of English landscapists come into this class, including most clever sketchers from nature.
- 1861 *Times* 18 Feb. 8/4 Including the new vessel to be built at Chatham, our four ironsides will become seven.
- 1938 *Oxf. Compan. Music* 4/1 The period up to and including the sixteenth century when church music was written for unaccompanied voices.
- 1970 *New Yorker* 26 Sept. 28/3 About a thousand enthusiastic cyclists, including us, turned out in the Bike to Work Ride.
- 2013 *Internat. Herald Tribune* (Nexis) 9 Oct. (Finance section) 16 Including fees, the price came to 238.68 million dollars.

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