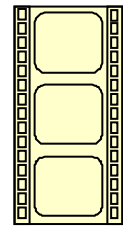


IRREGULAR VERBS



DIFFERENCE BETWEEN REGULAR AND IRREGULAR VERBS

The main difference between regular and irregular verbs is the different endings they have for the past tense and past participle. REGULAR verbs always end in **-ed** for both past tense and past participle endings.

Here are some examples:

REGULAR VERB – Past tense – Past participle

Look – Looked – Looked

Dance – Danced – Danced

Play – Played – Played

Clean – Cleaned – Cleaned

Study – Studied – Studied

Hurry – Hurried – Hurried

Pull – Pulled – Pulled

IRREGULAR VERBS end in many different ways. Unfortunately, there is no rule to help you remember them. You just have to practise remembering them off by heart over time! The more you practice the easier it will get.

Here are some examples:

IRREGULAR VERB – Past tense – Past Participle

See – Saw – Seen

Drink – Drank – Drunk

Run – Ran – Run

Sleep – Slept – Slept

Become – Became – Become

Teach – Taught – Taught

Do – Did – Done

An easy way of remembering the irregular verbs would be to remember the ‘order of change’. For example, ‘drink, drank, drunk’. If you remember these three words in that order, then you will know that the first is the base form of the verb, the second is past tense, and the third is the past participle!

Irregular Verbs in the Past Tense

Irregular verbs are ONLY irregular in affirmative/positive sentences.
(An exception to this is with the verb TO BE in the Past Tense).

For example: The past tense of GO is WENT.

It does not end in –ED so it is considered irregular.

The word **went** is used for all subjects – I, you, we, they, he, she, it.

I **went** to the beach

He **went** to the park.

She **went** to the zoo.

They **went** to the library.

BUT, as we mentioned before, it is only in its irregular form (*went*) in sentences that are affirmative/positive.

Compare the following using GO in the past tense.

They **went** to the beach

They didn't **go** to the beach --- **Didn't** shows that we are talking in the past tense.

Did they **go** to the beach? --- **Did** shows that we are talking in the past tense.

Another example with an irregular verb.

The past of EAT is ATE.

You **ate** my cake.

You didn't **eat** my cake.

Did you **eat** my cake?

IRREGULAR VERBS IN ENGLISH

- **ABC**: the three forms of the verb are different.
- **ABB**: the *past simple* and the *past participle* are identical
- **AAA**: the threeforms of the verb are identical.
- **AAB**: the *infinitive* and the *past simple* are identical.
- **ABA**: the *infinitive* and the *past participle* are identical.

Irregular verbs ABC:

INFINITIVE PAST SIMPLE PAST PARTICIPLE

Be	Was/Were	Been	Ser/Estar
Begin	Began	Begun	Començar
Bite	Bit	Bitten	Mossegar
Blow	Blew	Blown	Bufar
Break	Broke	Broken	Trencar
Choose	Chose	Chosen	Triar
Do	Did	Done	Fer
Drink	Drank	Drunk	Beure
Draw	Drew	Drawn	Dibuixar
Drive	Drove	Driven	Conduir
Eat	Ate	Eaten	Menjar
Fall	Fell	Fallen	Caure
Forgive	Forgave	Forgiven	Perdonar
Forget	Forgot	Forgotten	Oblidar
Give	Gave	Given	Donar
Go	Went	Gone	Anar
Grow	Grew	Grown	Créixer
Hide	Hid	Hidden	Amagar
Know	Knew	Known	Saber
Ring	Rang	Rung	Sonar/Trucar per telèfon
Rise	Rose	Risen	Aixecar
See	Saw	Seen	Veure
Show	Showed	Shown	Ensenyar
Sing	Sang	Sung	Cantar
Speak	Spoke	Spoken	Parlar
Swim	Swam	Swum	Nedar
Write	Wrote	Written	Escriure
Throw	Threw	Thrown	Llençar/Tirar
Wake	Woke	Woken	Despertar
Wear	Wore	Worn	Posar-se/Portar posat

Irregular verbs ABB

INFINITIVE PAST SIMPLE PAST PARTICIPLE

Bend	Bent	Bent	Doblegar
Bring	Brought	Brought	Portar
Built	Build	Build	Construir
Buy	Bought	Bought	Comprar
Catch	Caught	Caught	Agafar
Dream	Dreamed/Dreamt	Dreamed/Dreamt	Somiar
Feel	Felt	Felt	Sentir
Fight	Fought	Fought	Lluitar
Find	Found	Found	Trobar
Get	Got	Got	Aconseguir
Have	Had	Had	Tenir
Hear	Heard	Heard	Sentir (d'escoltar)
Hold	Held	Held	Aguantar (d'agafar)
Keep	Kept	Kept	Mantenir/Guardar
Learn	Learned/Learnt	Learned/Learnt	Aprendre
Leave	Left	Left	Deixar/Marxar
Lend	Lent	Lent	Prestar/Deixar
Lose	Lost	Lost	Perdre
Make	Made	Made	Fer
Mean	Meant	Meant	Significar/Voler dir
Meet	Met	Met	Conèixer
Pay	Paid	Paid	Pagar
Say	Said	Said	Dir
Sell	Sold	Sold	Vendre
Send	Sent	Sent	Enviar
Sit	Sat	Sat	Seure
Sleep	Slept	Slept	Dormir
Spend	Spent	Spent	Gastar
Stand	Stood	Stood	Aixecar-se
Take	Took	Took	Prendre
Teach	Taught	Taught	Ensenyar
Tell	Told	Told	Dir/Explicar
Think	Thought	Thought	Pensar
Win	Won	Won	Guanyar
Understand	Understood	Understood	Entendre

Irregular verbs AAA

INFINITIVE	PAST SIMPLE	PAST PARTICIPLE	
Cost	Cost	Cost	Costar
Hit	Hit	Hit	Colpejar
Hurt	Hurt	Hurt	Ferir
Let	Let	Let	Permetre
Put	Put	Put	Posar
Read	Read	Read	Llegir
Shut	Shut	Shut	Tancar

Irregular verbs AAB

INFINITIVE	PAST SIMPLE	PAST PARTICIPLE	
Beat	Beat	Beaten	Vèncer

Irregular verbs ABA

INFINITIVE	PAST SIMPLE	PAST PARTICIPLE	SIGNIFICAT
Come	Came	Come	Venir
Run	Ran	Run	Córrer

IRREGULAR VERBS EXERCISES

<https://agendaweb.org/exercises/verbs/simple-past-irregular-1>

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