

Phonetics – How is final -ed pronounced?

a) Study these rules:

1. Verbs ending in /d/ or /t/ → add one more syllable: /ɪd/.

Examples: ended, started, calculated, decided

2. Verbs ending in a voiceless consonant (except /t/) → add /t/.

Voiceless consonants: /p/, /k/, /tʃ/, /θ/, /s/, /ʃ/, /h/, /f/

Examples: stopped, asked, reached, teathed, passed, boxed, finished, sniffed, laughed

3. All other verbs: add /d/

Examples: robbed, mugged, breathed, received, realised, nudged, boomed, fined, banged, travelled, occurred

EXERCISE:

a) Choose the correct pronunciation.

astonished	/ɪd/	/t/	/d/	confronted	/ɪd/	/t/	/d/
plunged	/ɪd/	/t/	/d/	emerged	/ɪd/	/t/	/d/
scrapped	/ɪd/	/t/	/d/	signed	/ɪd/	/t/	/d/
humiliated	/ɪd/	/t/	/d/	solved	/ɪd/	/t/	/d/
predicted	/ɪd/	/t/	/d/	provided	/ɪd/	/t/	/d/
gripped	/ɪd/	/t/	/d/	honoured	/ɪd/	/t/	/d/
blamed	/ɪd/	/t/	/d/	lifted	/ɪd/	/t/	/d/
forced	/ɪd/	/t/	/d/	rejected	/ɪd/	/t/	/d/
resigned	/ɪd/	/t/	/d/	challenged	/ɪd/	/t/	/d/
handled	/ɪd/	/t/	/d/	deserved	/ɪd/	/t/	/d/