2-6 REGULAR VERBS: PRONUNCIATION OF *-ED* ENDINGS

Final ***-ed*** has three different pronunciations: /t/, /d/, and /əd/.

(a) *looked* → *look*/t/ *clapped* → *clap*/t/ *missed* → *miss*/t/ *watched* → *watch*/t/ *finished* → *finish*/t/ *laughed* → *laugh*/t/	Final ***-ed*** is pronounced /t/ after voiceless sounds. Voiceless sounds are made by pushing air through your mouth; no sound comes from your throat. Examples of voiceless sounds: "k," "p," "s," "ch," "sh," "f."
(b) *smell* → *smell*/d/ *saved* → *save*/d/ *cleaned* → *clean*/d/ *robbed* → *rob*/d/ *played* → *play*/d/	Final ***-ed*** is pronounced /d/ after voiced sounds. Voiced sounds come from your throat. If you touch your neck when you make a voiced sound, you can feel your voice box vibrate. Examples of voiced sounds: "l," "v," "n," "b," and all vowel sounds.
(c) *decided* → *decide*/əd/ *needed* → *need*/əd/ *wanted* → *want*/əd/ *invited* → *invite*/əd/	Final ***-ed*** is pronounced /əd/ after "t" and "d" sounds. The sound /əd/ adds a whole syllable to a word. COMPARE: *looked* = one syllable → look/t/ *smelled* = one syllable → smell/d/ *needed* = two syllables → need/əd/ *wanted* = two syllables → want/əd/

☐ EXERCISE 10. Pronunciation of -ED endings. (Chart 2-6)

Directions: Practice pronouncing the words. Write the pronunciation of the ***-ed*** ending after each word.

1. talked talk/t/
2. sobbed _____
3. graded _____
4. asked _____
5. helped _____
6. watched _____
7. filled _____
8. defended _____
9. poured _____
10. waited _____
11. enjoyed _____
12. loaded _____
13. roamed _____
14. kissed _____
15. halted _____
16. laughed _____
17. dried _____
18. believed _____
19. judged _____
20. counted _____
21. added _____
22. boxed _____
23. rested _____
24. pushed _____

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