

Remember!

**Simple Past Tense
Regular Verbs**

Spelling Rules	Examples
Ending in e add d	live – live d stare – stare d
Ending in vowel + y add ed	stay – stay ed play – play ed
Ending in consonant + y change y to i and add ed	try – try ed carry – carry ed
One syllable, single vowel and ending in single consonant double the final consonant and add ed	nod – nod ded rip – rip ped
Two-syllable, <u>stress</u> on second syllable and ending in single consonant double the final consonant and add ed	comm <u>it</u> – committ ed prefer <u>e</u> – prefer red

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Exercise 1

Put the regular verbs in the correct category:

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| cry | like | stop | wait | stay | fail |
| enjoy | label | agree | marry | explain | hop |
| care | bury | use | jog | clap | prefer |

- d only	- ed only	- ied	double consonant + - ed
lived	cleaned	studied	shopped

Exercise 2

Complete the story with the correct forms the verbs in brackets.

A young man aged 13 the Simpson Bank in Motown yesterday night. (rob)
 He his toy gun and by his father's red BMW. (use | travel)
 He the money in his sister's school bag. (carry) The young man
 to his grandma's garden to hide the money there. (hurry) When he the garden,
 he could see a policeman. (enter) The policeman to chase him. (start) The young
 man the bag with the money. (drop) - Suddenly, he could hear his telephone.
 "Bob, are you still asleep?"
 "Oh, mum. I had a terrible dream!"

You can find the spelling rules at [Regular and irregular verbs](http://www.e-grammar.org) (www.e-grammar.org).