

## Read this story to practice -ed sounds.

Yesterday was so busy! At the office, I **worked** \_\_\_\_\_ hard with my team. We **developed** \_\_\_\_\_ a new advertising plan. Our meeting **lasted** \_\_\_\_\_ about two hours. I **remembered** \_\_\_\_\_ an advertising plan that **worked** \_\_\_\_\_ five years ago, and I **suggested** \_\_\_\_\_ we try that again. We **needed** \_\_\_\_\_ to get the manager's approval. We **called** \_\_\_\_\_ him on the office phone. He **admitted** \_\_\_\_\_ that the idea **seemed** \_\_\_\_\_ good, but he **believed** \_\_\_\_\_ we should lower the budget. We **reported** \_\_\_\_\_ our numbers to him and **talked** \_\_\_\_\_ about the budget for a long time. Finally, he **decided** \_\_\_\_\_ to give us the money we **wanted** \_\_\_\_\_.

On the way home, I **stopped** \_\_\_\_\_ at the mall. I **promised** \_\_\_\_\_ my daughter a new MP3 player for her birthday. At the electronics store, I **played** \_\_\_\_\_ songs and **listened** \_\_\_\_\_ for quality sound. I **decided** \_\_\_\_\_ to buy one at a medium price.

When I got home, the kitchen was a mess. At our house, we **agreed** \_\_\_\_\_ to clean up after ourselves, so I **asked** \_\_\_\_\_ around to find out who **cooked** \_\_\_\_\_ last. That person **turned** \_\_\_\_\_ out to be my son. While he **washed** \_\_\_\_\_ the dishes, I sat at the kitchen table and **talked** \_\_\_\_\_ to him about his school work. Last year, he **tested** \_\_\_\_\_ into an **advanced** \_\_\_\_\_ program, and I **wanted** \_\_\_\_\_ to see how he was doing. He **seemed** \_\_\_\_\_ happy with it. He **started** \_\_\_\_\_ telling me about his classes and what he **learned** \_\_\_\_\_ that day.

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