

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/

plunged /ɪd/ /t/ /d/

scrapped /ɪd/ /t/ /d/

humiliated /ɪd/ /t/ /d/

predicted /ɪd/ /t/ /d/

gripped /ɪd/ /t/ /d/

blamed /ɪd/ /t/ /d/

forced /ɪd/ /t/ /d/

resigned /ɪd/ /t/ /d/

handled /ɪd/ /t/ /d/

confronted /ɪd/ /t/ /d/

emerged /ɪd/ /t/ /d/

signed /ɪd/ /t/ /d/

solved /ɪd/ /t/ /d/

provided /ɪd/ /t/ /d/

honoured /ɪd/ /t/ /d/

lifted /ɪd/ /t/ /d/

rejected /ɪd/ /t/ /d/

challenged /ɪd/ /t/ /d/

deserved /ɪd/ /t/ /d/