

Pronunciation: 'ed' endings

Exercise 1: Listen to what Callum did last Sunday. In particular listen to how he pronounces the –ed endings of his regular past simple verbs. Which group does each verb fall into - / t /, / d / or / ɪd /?

Sunday **(1) turned** into a very long day. My mum was coming back from holiday so I went to the airport to pick her up.

Unfortunately her flight was **(2) delayed** for a couple hours so I had to hang around at the airport. I went to the bookshop and **(3) browsed** around for a while, **(4) flicked** through some magazines and bought a paper to read while I **(5) waited**.

She finally **(6) arrived** at about 5 o'clock and **(7) wanted** to go straight home because she was so tired.

So we **(8) jumped** in the car and I **(9) dropped** her off at her place then **(10) headed** to my flat in south London but when I **(11) tried** to find my house keys, they weren't in my pocket.

I **(12) realised** with horror that I must have left them in the airport bookshop when I was paying for my paper. So I had to go all the way back to the airport but luckily someone had handed in my keys and I was able to collect them and come home again. It was a very, very long day.