

IRREGULAR PAST TENSE VERBS

	Infinitive	Past Tense		Infinitive	Past Tense
Infinitive and past tense are the same.	cost cut hit hurt	cost cut hit hurt		let put quit shut	let put quit shut
Infinitive ends in -d and the past tense ends in -t	bend build lend	bent built lent		spend send	spent sent
Consonant changes or add a consonant	have hear	had heard		lose make	lost made
Vowel changes	become begin come drink ring run sing sit drive fall grow wake	became began came drank rang ran sang sat drove fell grew woke		draw know throw get forget give forgive ride win write find take	drew knew threw get forgot gave forgave rode won wrote found took
Consonant and vowel changes	do fly go keep leave	did flew went kept left		pay say sell sleep tell	paid said sold slept told
Special forms	bring buy	brought bought		fight think	fought thought
Special forms II	catch	caught			

Expressions of Past Time

yesterday / yesterday morning ...	a year ago / month ago / week ago
last night / Monday / week / year / summer ...	at 2:00 pm
in 1910 / April	a long time ago
on Tuesday / the weekend / November 18 ...	the next day
a few minutes ago	a week later

Fill in the blanks with the correct simple past tense form and indicate the expression of past time in each sentence.

Expression of past time

- 1 I _____ (ride) the bus to school yesterday. _____
- 2 My sister _____ (make) me a cake last weekend. _____
- 3 He _____ (fly) his first airplane on August 15, 1958. _____
- 4 We _____ (buy) a house last Friday. _____
- 5 I _____ (ring) my grandmother two days ago. _____
- 6 The children _____ (be) at the park this afternoon. _____
- 7 My family _____ (come) to Argentina in 1929. _____
- 8 He _____ (lose) his front teeth a long time ago. _____

Fill in the blanks with the correct simple past tense of the verbs in parentheses.

Yesterday _____ (be) a busy day. I only _____ (sleep) for four hours Monday night but my alarm clock _____ (ring) at 5:30 am. My husband _____ [go] to bed late too so I _____ [shut] the alarm off quickly so it didn't wake him up. I _____ [let] him sleep in until 7:30 am. I _____ [get] out of bed and I _____ [take] out my phone. I _____ [send] a couple of emails to my friends. I _____ [put] on my running shoes and _____ [leave] for my run. I _____ [run] 8 kilometres! On my way home I _____ (buy) a newspaper. I _____ (make) eggs and toast for breakfast. I _____ [catch] up on the news while I _____ [eat] my breakfast. I also _____ [drink] two glasses of water. After breakfast, I _____ [begin] my work for the day. I _____ [have] a very long to-do list but I _____ [get] it all done before lunch! I _____ [be] very proud of myself.