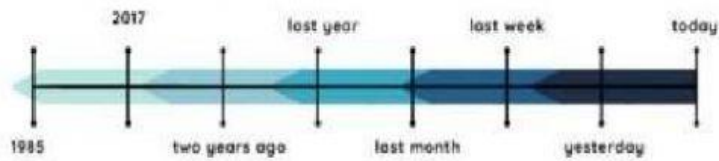


Practicing the PAST TENSE

Regular and irregular forms

We change the **VERB** into the **PAST TENSE** when we talk or write about things that happened in the **PAST**



Regular PAST TENSE verbs

With some words, you can do this by adding the suffix **-d**, **-ed** or **-ied**

For example:

| | | |
|---------|----|-----------|
| I USE | -> | I USED |
| I PLAY | -> | I PLAYED |
| I WORK | -> | I WORKED |
| I STUDY | -> | I STUDIED |

Regular past tense SUFFIX rules

Brush/Wash ed

Pinch/Watch ed

Pass/Kiss ed

Box/Fix ed

Talk/Walk ed

Prey/Played

If the verb has the sound **sh, ch, ss, x, k**
Just add **ed** to the end

If the verb ends with a **vowel** and **consonant**
Just add **ed** to the end

Marryied/Studyyied

If the verb ends with a **consonant** and **y**
Delete the y and add **ied**

Closed / Lived / Saved / Liked / Arrived

If the verb ends with an **e**
Just add **d**

Stopped

Planned

Travelled

Chatted

If the verb ends with a **consonant**, **vowel** and **p, n, l, t**
Double the **p, n, l, t** and add **ed**

Use the suffix rules above to help you practice

Can you change the following words?

| | | | | | |
|----------|----------------|------------|--|---------|--|
| I ask | <i>I asked</i> | I look | | I talk | |
| I brush | | I need | | I try | |
| I dry | | I open | | I use | |
| I follow | | I provide | | I wait | |
| I help | | I remember | | I want | |
| I live | | I study | | I watch | |

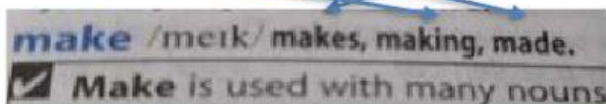
Irregular PAST TENSE verbs

Some words are different because they are IRREGULAR spellings in the past tense. They change spelling completely so we must remember those one by one with practice/lots of use.

For example: I KNOW -> I KNEW
 I DRINK -> I DRANK

Can you try changing the following verbs to the **past tense** ? Irregular verbs and their past tenses are listed in dictionaries so check in the dictionary (or online dictionary/google) if you don't know. The 3rd verb is usually the past simple, the 1st is the present simple 3rd person singular and the 2nd is the present participle with gerund form (ing).

dictionary



| | | | | | |
|---------|--------------|----------|--|---------|--|
| I am | <i>I was</i> | I dig | | I give | |
| I begin | | I do | | I have | |
| I blow | | I draw | | I keep | |
| I bring | | I eat | | I lose | |
| I build | | I fall | | I make | |
| I catch | | I fly | | I sleep | |
| I come | | I forget | | I write | |