

## Pronunciation of -ed (Regular Verbs)

When we talk about the past simple of regular verbs, we add **-ed** at the end of the verb. However, **-ed** has **three different pronunciations**.

### 1. /t/ sound

We pronounce **-ed** as /t/ when the verb ends in these sounds: /p/ /k/ /f/ /s/ /ʃ/ /tʃ/

### 2. /d/ sound

We pronounce **-ed** as /d/ when the verb ends in a vowel sound or these sounds: /b/ /g/ /l/ /m/ /n/ /r/ /v/ /z/

### 3. /ɪd/ sound

We pronounce **-ed** as /ɪd/ when the verb ends in /t/ or /d/

<b>/-t/</b>	/p/	Help	Helped	
	/f/	Laugh	laughed	
	/s/	Miss	Missed	
	/k/	Work	worked	
	/ʃ/	Fish	Fished	
	/tʃ/	March	Marched	
<b>/-d/</b>	/b/	Grab	Grabbed	
	/g/	Hug	Hugged	
	/v/	Save	Saved	
	/z/	Please	Pleased	
	/ʒ/	Massage	Massaged	
	/dʒ/	Rage	Raged	
	/m/	Resume	Resumed	
	/n/	Sign	Signed	
	/ŋ/	Bang	Banged	
	/l/	Peel	Peeled	
	/d/	Breathe	Breathed	
	/r/	Honour	Honoured	
	<b>Vowels</b>		Stay	Stayed
			Free	Freed
		Lie	Lied	
		Ski	Skied	
		Snow	Snowed	
<b>/-ɪd/</b>		Try	Tried	
	/d/	Add	Added	
	<b>/t/</b>	Decide	Decided	
		Exist	Existed	
	Taste	Tasted		

### Exercise 1: Classify the verbs

Verbs: worked – played – wanted – cleaned – watched – loved – needed – helped – called

/t/: \_\_\_\_\_

/d/: \_\_\_\_\_

/ɪd/: \_\_\_\_\_

### Exercise 2: Choose the correct pronunciation

1. watched → /t/ – /d/ – /ɪd/

2. cleaned → /t/ – /d/ – /ɪd/

3. needed → /t/ – /d/ – /ɪd/

4. played → /t/ – /d/ – /ɪd/

5. helped → /t/ – /d/ – /ɪd/

### Exercise 3: Complete the sentences with ED ending

1. Yesterday, I \_\_\_\_\_ (work) at home.

2. She \_\_\_\_\_ (play) soccer after school.

3. We \_\_\_\_\_ (want) pizza for dinner.

4. He \_\_\_\_\_ (clean) his room.

5. They \_\_\_\_\_ (watch) a movie.