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## READING AND GRAMMAR!



Read the following text and classify the verbs in **bold**. Are they regular or irregular verbs in the past tense?

### Growing Up: Changes in Relationships Over Time

As children, our relationships with our parents and friends play a significant role in shaping our experiences and understanding of the world around us. Looking back on our childhood, we can see how these relationships **evolved** as we grew older.

When we **were** young, our relationship with our parents **was** often *characterized* by dependency and reliance. We **relied** on them for guidance, support, and nurturing. Our interactions with them **were** *marked* by a sense of innocence and trust. We **looked** up to them as our protectors and providers, and they, in turn, **played** a central role in our lives, shaping our values, beliefs, and behaviors.

Similarly, our friendships during childhood **were** typically *uncomplicated* and straightforward. We **bonded** with others over shared interests, activities, and experiences. Friendships **were** *built* on a foundation of fun, playfulness, and camaraderie. We **spent** countless hours exploring the world together, creating memories that would last a lifetime.

However, as we **entered** adolescence and eventually adulthood, our relationships **began** to undergo significant changes. Our relationship with our parents **shifted** as we **asserted** our independence and autonomy. We **sought** to establish our own identities separate from them, often leading to conflicts and disagreements as we **navigated** the complexities of adolescence.

Similarly, our friendships also **evolved** as we **entered** different stages of life. We **became** more discerning in choosing our friends, seeking those who **shared** our values, goals, and interests. Friendships **became** more *nuanced* and meaningful, **characterized** by mutual respect, trust, and understanding. We **learned** to navigate the complexities of adult relationships, including conflicts and disagreements, while cherishing the bonds we *had formed* over the years.

In conclusion, our relationships with our parents and friends undergo significant changes as we grow older. While the dynamics may shift and evolve over time, these relationships remain an integral part of our lives, shaping who we are and how we navigate the world around us.

**REGULAR**

**IRREGULAR**

# PAST TENSE PRONUNCIATION!

Look at the following classification of the regular verbs as regards pronunciation.

## VERBS ENDING WITH A WEAK SOUND

p, k, s, sh, ch, gh, c, x

/t/

- *HELPED*
- *KISSED*
- *LAUGHED*
- *WASHED*
- *FINISHED*
- *DANCED*
- *LOOKED*
- *WATCHED*

## VERBS ENDING WITH A STRONG SOUND

b, g, l, m, n, r, v, z and vowels.

/d/

- *RUBBED*
- *BEGGED*
- *CALLED*
- *CLAIMED*
- *CLEANED*
- *OFFERED*
- *LOVED*
- *REALIZED*

## VERBS ENDING WITH /T/ OR /D/ SOUNDS

t or d

/id/

- *WANTED*
- *EDUCATED*
- *NEEDED*
- *ENDED*
- *PAINTED*
- *RECORDED*
- *CORRECTED*
- *REMINDDED*

Now, classify the regular verbs from the text in the group that you consider correct as regards pronunciation:

/t/

/d/

/id/