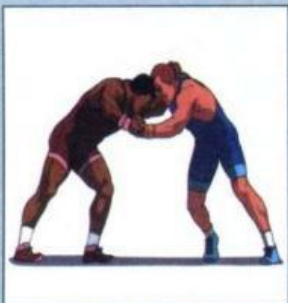
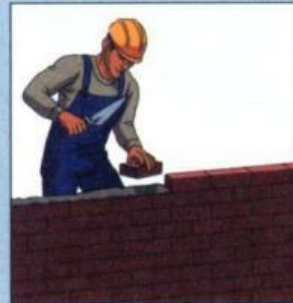
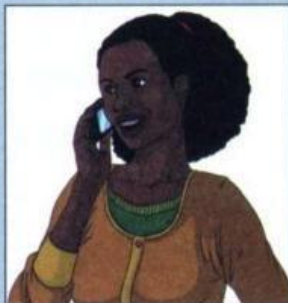


39 Irregular verbs

Here are some common irregular verbs in English, which follow similar patterns. They are all taught in different parts of the book, so use the Word List or APP to help you if necessary. A more complete list is on page 198.



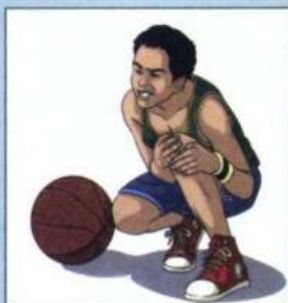
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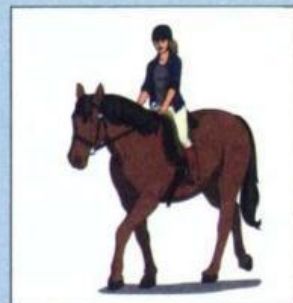
build



hold



hurt



ride

pt/pp -a/-u	pt/pp – one vowel change	pt/pp -o/-en
sing/sang/sung	get/got/got	write/wrote/written
swim/swam/swum	forget/forgot/forgotten	drive/drove/driven
ring/rang/rung	sit/sat/sat	ride/rode/ridden
drink/drank/drunk	come/came/come	break/broke/broken
begin/began/begun	hold/held/held	speak/spoke/spoken
run/ran/run	fall/fell/fallen	wake (up)/woke/woken
	win/won/won	

pt/pp -ought/-ought	pt/pp -t	pt/pp – no change
bring/brought/brought	lend/lent/lent	put/put/put
think/thought/thought	send/sent/sent	cut/cut/cut
buy/bought/bought	spend/spent/spent	hurt/hurt/hurt
fight/fought/fought	build/built/built	cost/cost/cost
pt/pp -aught/-aught	spell/spelt/spelt ALSO spelled	shut/shut/shut
catch/caught/caught	lose/lost/lost	let/let/let
teach/taught/taught	burn/burnt/burnt ALSO burned	hit/hit/hit

SPOTLIGHT *ever*

We often use **ever** (= any time before now) in questions in the present perfect (*has/have + past participle*).

- Have you **ever** bought a car? ~ No, I haven't. OR No, I've never bought one.
- Has your sister **ever** written a blog? ~ Yes, she has. (NOT Yes, she ever has.)

1 Cover the left-hand page, then write the past tense of the verbs.

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|------------------|---------------|----------------|
| ▶ sit <u>sat</u> | 5 buy _____ | 10 hold _____ |
| 1 teach _____ | 6 sing _____ | 11 spell _____ |
| 2 put _____ | 7 spend _____ | 12 ring _____ |
| 3 let _____ | 8 drive _____ | 13 sit _____ |
| 4 bring _____ | 9 speak _____ | 14 burn _____ |

2 For each question, which two verbs ...

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|---|--|
| ▶ don't change in the past tense? | <u>hurt</u> / <u>fight</u> / <u>shut</u> |
| 1 change <i>i</i> to <i>a</i> in the past tense? | swim / begin / hit |
| 2 change <i>i</i> to <i>o</i> in the past tense? | write / sit / drive |
| 3 change to <i>-ought</i> in the past tense? | buy / catch / think |
| 4 change from <i>d</i> to <i>t</i> in the past tense? | hold / send / build |
| 5 don't change in the past tense? | put / forget / cut |
| 6 have one vowel change in the past tense? | get / fall / cost |

3 Answer the questions using the same verb in the past tense.

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|--|------------------------------|
| ▶ What did Olivia sing? | ~ She <u>sang a pop song</u> |
| 1 How far did you swim? | ~ I _____ |
| 2 What did the teacher forget? | ~ He _____ |
| 3 What did Ava send? | ~ She _____ |
| 4 What did Mason lend you? | ~ He _____ |
| 5 Where did your sister put the books? | ~ She _____ |
| 6 Where did Liam fall? | ~ He _____ |
| 7 How much money did Isabella lose? | ~ She _____ |
| 8 How far did the children run? | ~ They _____ |

4 Complete the sentences with verbs in the past tense from page 82.

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| ▶ My sister <u>taught</u> _____ in a school for five years. | 7 This book only _____ £3.99. |
| 1 I _____ across the river. | 8 The children _____ home at 10.00 and went to bed. |
| 2 My dad _____ a fish in the lake last week. | 9 Darius _____ me early this morning to tell me the good news. |
| 3 I _____ the horse, and Ben _____ his bike. | 10 I went shopping and _____ a pair of shoes. |
| 4 When Esther _____ her finger, she said it really _____. | 11 Martina _____ her new Italian course yesterday and really enjoyed it. |
| 5 My grandmother _____ a car until she was 90. | 12 I _____ at 6 a.m. because I had to get up early. |
| 6 I _____ an email to my aunt last week to thank her for my birthday present. | |

5 ABOUT YOU Complete the questions with the past participle of verbs from page 82. Then answer the questions about you.

Have you ever ...

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|---|-----------------------|
| ▶ <u>got</u> _____ ill from eating eggs? | <u>No, I haven't.</u> |
| 1 _____ a very fast car? | _____ |
| 2 _____ a horse? | _____ |
| 3 _____ your own hair? | _____ |
| 4 _____ a large amount of money? | _____ |
| 5 _____ to a famous person? What did you say? | _____ |
| 6 _____ somebody because you were very angry? | _____ |
| 7 _____ a bone in your body? | _____ |
| 8 _____ from a tree? | _____ |



TEST YOURSELF