

PAST SIMPLE

USE

- ⦿ Actions and situations in the past
- ⦿ These actions and situations are finished

Example:

My hair was red when I was a girl, but it's grey now.



In the past



Now

TIME EXPRESSIONS:

- Yesterday
- in (June, 1995, the 1980s)
- last (night, month, week, Thursday, year)
- (a week, two days) ago.



VERB "BE"

AFFIRMATIVE		NEGATIVE		INTERROGATIVE	
I	WAS	I	WASN'T	WAS	I ... ?
YOU	WERE	YOU	WEREN'T	WERE	YOU ... ?
HE	WAS	HE	WASN'T	WAS	HE ... ?
SHE		SHE			SHE ... ?
IT		IT			IT ... ?
WE	WERE	WE	WEREN'T	WERE	WE ... ?
YOU		YOU			YOU ... ?
THEY		THEY			THEY... ?

PRACTICE

○ **Task 1 Write the sentences in the past.**

○ 1. Mandy and Sam are in class.

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○ 2. Are you at home?

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○ 3. There's a book on the desk.

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○ 4. My friends are in the kitchen with me.

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○ 5. The weather is cold and cloudy.

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○ 6. The cat isn't in the living room.

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○ 7. My pets are lovely.

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○ 8. Mary's boyfriend is tall and well-built.

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○ 9. Is there any coffee in your cup?

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○ 10. There aren't any children in the pool.

PRACTICE

- **Task 2 Fill in the blanks with: was, wasn't, were or weren't.**

Last weekend we in Sitges with Paula and John. It their wedding anniversary and there a party to celebrate it on Saturday. Tom and Susan at the party because Susan's mother in hospital, but they for lunch on Sunday. The party great. There a lot of people and there a lot of food, too. However, Paul and John a bit sad because their daughter at the party. She in London on a school trip, and so we because, Tony, our son , with us. He in Dublin with his girlfriend. Anyway, it a nice weekend and we really happy there.

REGULAR VERBS (POSITIVE)

Verb ending in...	How to make the simple past	Examples
e	Add -D	live → lived date → dated
Consonant + y	Change y to i , then add -ED	try → tried cry → cried
One vowel + one consonant (but NOT w or y)	Double the consonant, then add -ED	tap → tapped commit → committed
anything else including w	Add -ED	boil → boiled fill → filled hand → handed show → showed

PRACTICE

- **Task 3 Write the Past Simple of these verbs in the correct column.**

Laugh, tidy, stay, plan, hate, cry, love, study, dance, kiss, watch, change,
enjoy, try, live, prefer, cook, work, walk

- **+ed**

- **+d**

- **y→i + ed**

- **Double consonant + ed**

PRONUNCIATION OF -ED

Pronunciation of ED



The pronunciation of words ending in ED depends on the final consonant (sound). There are three ways to pronounce ED:

/id/

T wanted
D needed

Voiced Sound
= uses the vocal
cords and they
produce a vibration
or humming sound
in the throat.

(Touch your throat to feel it)

/t/

P helped
K looked
SH washed
CH watched
GH laughed
TH breathed
SS kissed
C danced
X fixed

VOICELESS

/d/

L called
N cleaned
R offered
G damaged
V loved
S used
W followed
Y enjoyed
Z amazed

VOICED

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rest	afford	watch	want	demand	sound
stay	paint	park	record	cover	answer
raise	flood	save	show	add	need
cook	love	cause	use	mail	wash

Example:

rest --> rested (pronounced as restid so it is placed in /id/ column)

/id/	/t/	/d/
rested		

REGULAR VERBS VS. IRREGULAR VERBS



Regular verbs

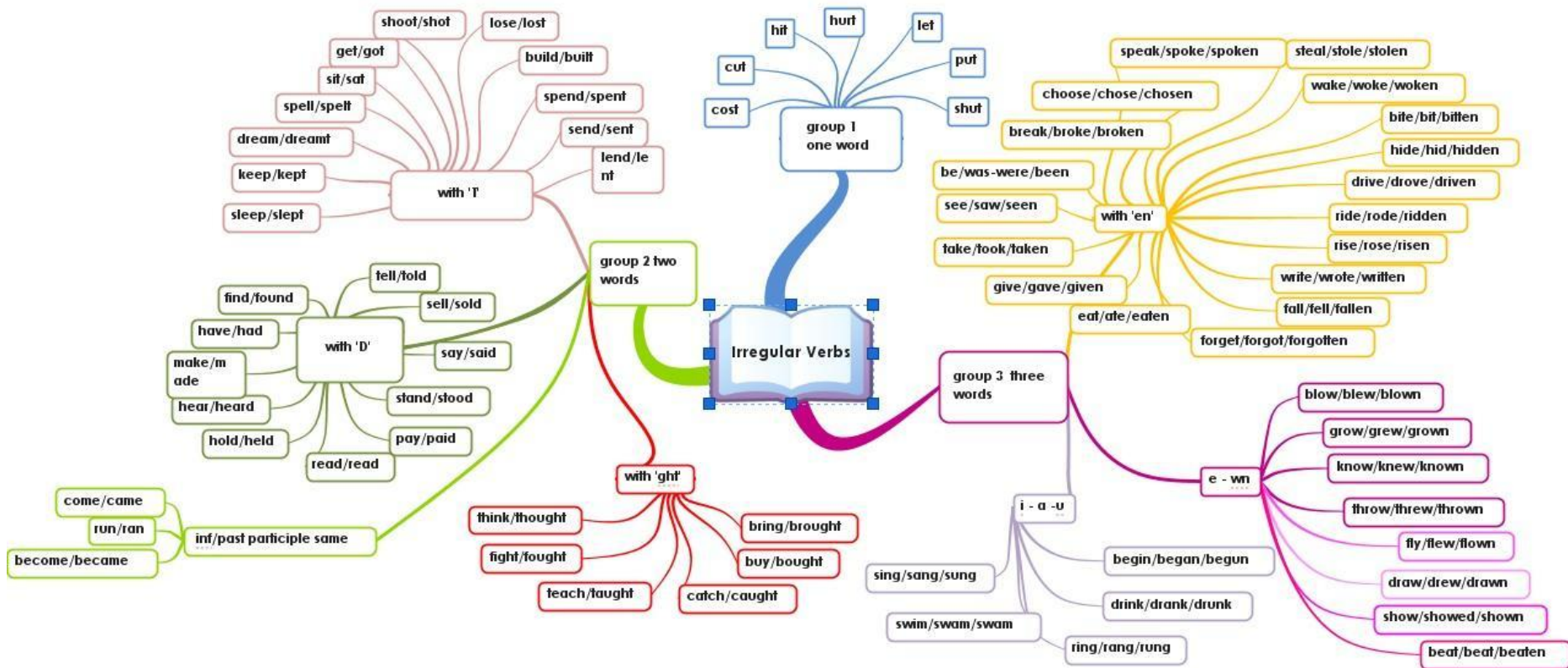
talk	ed
phone	d
arrive	d
play	ed
walk	ed
ask	ed



Irregular verbs

eat	ate
drink	drank
swim	swam
run	ran
see	saw
meet	met

HOW TO REMEMBER IRREGULAR VERBS



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Column A

go
see
eat
buy
tell
say
make
hear
feel
think

Column B

felt
went
thought
saw
ate
heard
bought
told
made
said

QUESTIONS

REMEMBER?

Questions in the simple past:

Did + S. + infinitive ?

Did	I	<u>work ?</u>
Did	you	<u>work ?</u>
Did	he	<u>work ?</u>
Did	she	<u>work ?</u>
Did	it	<u>work ?</u>
Did	we	<u>work ?</u>
Did	you	<u>work ?</u>
Did	they	<u>work ?</u>



QUESTIONS WITH WH-

PAST SIMPLE "BE" WH- QUESTIONS

Singular	Who	was	I	?
	What	were	you	
	When	was	he	
	Where		she	
Why		it		
Plural	How	were	you we they	

PAST SIMPLE WH- QUESTIONS

Singular	Who	did	I	go do see play fight tell read	?
	What		you		
	When		he		
	Where		she		
Plural	Why		it		
	How		you we they		

NEGATIVE FORM

🔦 REMEMBER?

Negative forms in the simple past:

I	didn't	work
You	didn't	work
He	didn't	work
She	didn't	work
It	didn't	work
We	didn't	work
You	didn't	work
They	didn't	work

S. + didn't + infinitive !!!



