

## *Irregular Verbs*

### *Simple Present, Simple Past and Present Perfect Tenses*

This is a list of Irregular Verbs. I will read the base form, the simple past tense and the past participle of the verb. Then, I will read the verb in three sentences, a simple present tense sentence, a simple past tense sentence and a present perfect tense sentence.

There will be time for you to repeat the verbs and sentences. Try it, it is good practice!

<b>Base</b>	<b>Past</b>	<b>Past Participle</b>	<b>Sentences</b>
Be	was / were	been	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		I <i>am</i> in class now.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		I <i>was</i> in class yesterday.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		I <i>have been</i> in class since 6:30pm.
Become	became	become	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		Many people <i>become</i> U.S. citizens every year.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		My sister <i>became</i> a U.S. citizen last month.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		My sister <i>has</i> just <i>become</i> a U.S. citizen.
Begin	began	begun	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		We <i>begin</i> class at 8:30am every day.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		We <i>began</i> class at 8:30am yesterday
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		We <i>have</i> just <i>begun</i> class.
Bend	bent	bent	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		Maria always <i>bends</i> the straw.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		Maria <i>bent</i> the straw and put it in the can of soda.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		Maria <i>has bent</i> the straw many times.
Bite	bit	bitten	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		Some dogs <i>bite</i> people
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		A dog <i>bit</i> a man yesterday.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		Those dogs <i>have bitten</i> people a few times.

<b>Base</b>	<b>Past</b>	<b>Past participle</b>	<b>Sentences</b>
Blow	blew	blown	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		The wind <b>blows</b> all the time.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		A strong wind <b>blew</b> yesterday afternoon.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		The wind <b>has blown</b> for a few hours.
Break	broke	broken	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		The dishwasher usually <b>breaks</b> a couple of glasses.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		The dishwasher <b>broke</b> a couple of glasses today.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		The dishwasher <b>has broken</b> three glasses this week.
Bring	brought	brought	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		We <b>bring</b> our books to class every night.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		We <b>brought</b> our books to class last night.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		We <b>have brought</b> our books to class since last fall.
Buy	bought	bought	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		They <b>buy</b> a new car every summer.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		They <b>bought</b> a new car last summer.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		They <b>have</b> just <b>bought</b> a new car.
Catch	caught	caught	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		The boy always <b>catches</b> the ball.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		The boy <b>caught</b> the ball yesterday.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		The boy <b>has caught</b> the ball for three hours.
Choose	chose	chosen	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		You <b>choose</b> to take ESL classes.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		You <b>chose</b> to take classes at this school last month.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		You <b>have</b> already <b>chosen</b> to take classes at this school.
Come	came	come	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		Fadumo <b>comes</b> to class early every morning.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		Fadumo <b>came</b> to class early yesterday morning.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		Fadumo <b>has come</b> to class early since September.

<b>Base</b>	<b>Past</b>	<b>Past participle</b>	<b>Sentences</b>
Cost	cost	cost	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		The new coat <b>costs</b> \$45.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		The new coat <b>cost</b> \$45 last week.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		The coat <b>has cost</b> \$45 since last month.
Cut	cut	cut	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		The cook usually <b>cuts</b> the meat.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		The cook <b>cut</b> the meat one hour ago.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		The cook <b>has</b> just <b>cut</b> the meat into small pieces.
Do	did	done	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		You <b>do</b> your laundry every weekend.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		You <b>did</b> your laundry last weekend.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		You have <b>done</b> your laundry every weekend since you moved to Minnesota.
Draw	drew	drawn	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		The young girl <b>draws</b> a picture in class
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		The young girl <b>drew</b> a beautiful picture last week.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		The young girl <b>has drawn</b> many pictures.
Drink	drank	drunk	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		I <b>drink</b> orange juice for breakfast every morning.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		I <b>drank</b> orange juice for breakfast yesterday.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		I <b>have drunk</b> orange juice for many years.
Drive	drove	driven	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		Mohamed <b>drives</b> to school every evening.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		Mohamed <b>drove</b> to school today.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		Mohamed <b>has driven</b> to school since last October.
Eat	ate	eaten	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		I <b>eat</b> lunch at 12:00 every day.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		I <b>ate</b> lunch at 12:00 yesterday.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		I <b>have eaten</b> lunch at 12:00 for a few years.

Base	Past	Past participle	Sentences
Fall	fell	fallen	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		I usually <b>fall</b> on the ice every winter.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		I <b>fell</b> on the ice last winter.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		I <b>have</b> just <b>fallen</b> on the ice on the way to work.
Feed	fed	fed	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		The mother <b>feeds</b> the children every evening.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		The mother <b>fed</b> the children last night.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		The mother <b>has fed</b> the children since they were young.
Feel	felt	felt	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		I <b>feel</b> terrible today.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		I <b>felt</b> terrible last night.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		I <b>have felt</b> terrible for a couple of days.
Fight	fought	fought	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		The two men <b>fight</b> in the street.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		The two men <b>fought</b> in the street yesterday.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		The two men <b>have</b> just <b>fought</b> in the street.
Fly	flew	flown	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		Mai <b>flies</b> to Los Angeles every year.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		Mai <b>flew</b> to Los Angeles last month.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		Mai <b>has flown</b> to Los Angeles a number of times.
Forget	forgot	forgotten	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		You always <b>forget</b> to bring a pencil to class.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		You <b>forgot</b> to bring a pencil to class yesterday.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		You <b>have forgotten</b> to bring a pencil for many days.
Get	got	gotten	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		She <b>gets</b> on the bus early every morning.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		She <b>got</b> on the bus early this morning.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		She <b>has</b> already <b>gotten</b> on the bus.

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Give	gave	given	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		Her brother <b>gives</b> her a ride to work every day.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		Her brother <b>gave</b> her a ride to work yesterday.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		Her brother <b>has given</b> her a ride to work every day since they moved to Minnesota.
Go	went	gone	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		They <b>go</b> to the Mall of America every Sunday.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		They <b>went</b> to the Mall of America last Sunday.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		They <b>have gone</b> to the Mall of America for many years.
Grow	grew	grown	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		Fanta <b>grows</b> tomatoes every summer.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		Fanta <b>grew</b> tomatoes last summer.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		Fanta <b>has grown</b> tomatoes for a few years.
Hang	hung	hung	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		I usually <b>hang</b> my jacket in the closet.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		I <b>hung</b> my jacket in the closet 2 hours ago.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		I <b>have hung</b> my jacket in the closet for many years.
Have	had	had	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		Omar <b>has</b> a very bad headache.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		Omar <b>had</b> a very bad headache last night.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		Omar <b>has had</b> a very bad headache for a few hours.
Hear	heard	heard	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		Tigist <b>hears</b> the birds sing every morning.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		Tigist <b>heard</b> the birds sing yesterday morning.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		Tigist <b>has heard</b> the birds sing since last spring.

Base	Past	Past participle	Sentences
Hide	hid	hidden	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		Sometimes, I <b>hide</b> my money under my bed.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		I <b>hid</b> my money under my bed last year.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		I <b>have hidden</b> my money under my bed for a few years.
Hit	hit	hit	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		The baseball player always <b>hits</b> the ball.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		The baseball player <b>hit</b> the ball 5 minutes ago.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		The baseball player <b>has</b> just <b>hit</b> the ball.
Hold	held	held	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		I <b>hold</b> the pencil in my hand.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		I <b>held</b> the pencil in my hand 10 minutes ago.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		I <b>have held</b> the pencil in my hand for 25 minutes.
Hurt	hurt	hurt	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		Ali hardly ever <b>hurts</b> his back at work.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		Ali <b>hurt</b> his back at work last month.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		Ali <b>has hurt</b> his back at work recently.
Keep	kept	kept	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		We always <b>keep</b> our books in our bags.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		We <b>kept</b> our books in our bags yesterday.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		We <b>have kept</b> our books in our bags for a while.
Know	knew	known	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		I <b>know</b> my neighbor very well.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		I <b>knew</b> her before I moved to Minnesota.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		I <b>have known</b> her since I was a child.
Leave	left	left	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		Maria hardly ever <b>leaves</b> her umbrella on the bus.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		Maria <b>left</b> her umbrella on the bus yesterday.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		Maria <b>has</b> just <b>left</b> her umbrella on the bus.

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Lend	lent	lent	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		You <b>lend</b> your brother money every month.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		You <b>lent</b> your brother money last month.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		You <b>have lent</b> your brother money since he lost his job.
Lose	lost	lost	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		I rarely <b>lose</b> my wallet.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		I <b>lost</b> my wallet in the store last night.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		I <b>have lost</b> my wallet twice so far this year.
Make	made	made	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		The young woman <b>makes</b> dinner every night.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		The young woman <b>made</b> dinner last night.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		The young woman <b>has made</b> dinner every night for years.
Meet	met	met	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		I always <b>meet</b> people at school.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		I <b>met</b> people at school two weeks ago.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		I <b>have met</b> people at school since September.
Pay	paid	paid	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		The company <b>pays</b> me every Friday.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		The company <b>paid</b> me last Friday.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		The company <b>has paid</b> me since I was hired.
Put	put	put	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		Asha <b>puts</b> milk in the refrigerator.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		Asha <b>put</b> milk in the refrigerator last night.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		Asha <b>has just put</b> milk in the refrigerator.
Read	read	read	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		I <b>read</b> a book every month.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		I <b>read</b> a really good book last year.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		I <b>have read</b> a book every month for many years.

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Ride	rode	ridden	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		Luis always <b>rides</b> the bus to work.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		Luis <b>rode</b> the bus to work last week.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		Luis <b>has ridden</b> the bus since he sold his car.
Ring	rang	rung	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		The telephone <b>rings</b> very loudly.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		The telephone <b>rang</b> a few hours ago.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		The telephone <b>has rung</b> all morning.
Run	ran	run	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		Athletes <b>run</b> in the Olympics every four years.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		Athletes <b>ran</b> in the Olympics last year.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		Athletes <b>have run</b> in the Olympics since they began.
Say	said	said	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		The children <b>say</b> good morning to the teacher.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		The children <b>said</b> good morning to the teacher.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		The children <b>have said</b> good morning to the teacher.
See	saw	seen	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		I <b>see</b> you walking to school every morning.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		I <b>saw</b> you walking to school yesterday.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		I <b>have seen</b> you walking to school for two months.
Sell	sold	sold	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		That store always <b>sells</b> a lot of phone cards.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		That store <b>sold</b> a lot of phone cards last month.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		That store <b>has sold</b> a lot of phone cards since it opened.
Send	sent	sent	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		You <b>send</b> money to your family every 2 weeks.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		You <b>sent</b> money to your family 2 weeks ago.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		You <b>have sent</b> money to your family since you began working at that company.



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Shake	shook	shaken	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		We always <i>shake</i> hands when we meet.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		We <i>shook</i> hands 2 hours ago.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		We <i>have</i> already <i>shaken</i> hands with them.
Shut	shut	shut	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		Lee <i>shuts</i> the door every morning.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		Lee <i>shut</i> the door this morning.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		Lee <i>has</i> just <i>shut</i> the door.
Sing	sang	sung	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		Karen <i>sings</i> beautiful songs.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		Karen <i>sang</i> a beautiful song a while ago.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		Karen <i>has sung</i> beautiful songs for many years.
Sit	sat	sat	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		The students usually <i>sit</i> in the same chairs.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		The students <i>sat</i> in the same chairs yesterday.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		The students <i>have sat</i> in the same chairs for two hours.
Sleep	slept	slept	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		I <i>sleep</i> a lot every weekend.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		I <i>slept</i> a lot last weekend.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		I <i>have slept</i> a lot every weekend for a few months.
Speak	spoke	spoken	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		You <i>speak</i> English very well.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		You <i>spoke</i> English very well last week.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		You <i>have spoken</i> English very well for a long time.
Spend	spent	spent	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		You <i>spend</i> all of your money every week.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		You <i>spent</i> all of your money last week.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		You <i>have</i> just <i>spent</i> all of your money.

Base	Past	Past participle	Sentences
Stand	stood	stood	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		I <i>stand</i> in line at the bank every Friday.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		I <i>stood</i> in line at the bank last Friday.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		I <i>have stood</i> in line at the bank for a while now.
Steal	stole	stolen	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		The thief <i>steals</i> a wallet every day.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		The thief <i>stole</i> my wallet last night.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		The thief <i>has stolen</i> three wallets so far this week!
Sweep	swept	swept	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		I <i>sweep</i> my kitchen floor every other day.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		I <i>swept</i> my kitchen floor yesterday.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		I <i>have</i> already <i>swept</i> my kitchen floor.
Swim	swam	swum	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		We <i>swim</i> in the lake every summer.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		We <i>swam</i> in the lake last summer.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		We <i>have swum</i> in the lake every summer for many years.
Take	took	taken	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		I <i>take</i> a shower after work every day.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		I <i>took</i> a shower after work yesterday.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		I <i>have</i> just <i>taken</i> a shower.
Teach	taught	taught	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		The teacher <i>teaches</i> a good lesson every day.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		The teacher <i>taught</i> a good lesson yesterday.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		The teacher <i>has</i> just <i>taught</i> a good lesson.
Tell	told	told	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		Juan always <i>tells</i> the teacher the answer.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		Juan <i>told</i> the teacher the answer yesterday.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		Juan <i>has</i> already <i>told</i> the teacher the answer.

<b>Base</b>	<b>Past</b>	<b>Past participle</b>	<b>Sentences</b>
Think	thought	thought	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		I <b>think</b> about English grammar every day.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		I <b>thought</b> about English grammar yesterday.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		I <b>have thought</b> about English grammar since I started studying at this school.
Throw	threw	thrown	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		He always <b>throws</b> the paper in the garbage.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		He <b>threw</b> the paper in the garbage a few hours ago.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		He <b>has</b> just <b>thrown</b> the paper in the garbage.
Understand	understood	understood	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		I <b>understand</b> the English lesson every day.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		I <b>understood</b> the English lesson yesterday.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		I <b>have understood</b> the lesson since class began.
Wake up	woke up	woken up	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		I <b>wake up</b> early every day.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		I <b>woke up</b> early yesterday.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		I <b>have woken up</b> early every day this entire week.
Wear	wore	worn	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		I <b>wear</b> glasses every day.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		I <b>wore</b> glasses yesterday.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		I <b>have worn</b> glasses since I was 10 years old.
Win	won	won	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		The best team always <b>wins</b> the soccer game.
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		The best team <b>won</b> the soccer game last week.
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		The best team <b>has</b> just <b>won</b> the soccer game.
Write	wrote	written	
	<i>Simple present tense</i>		I <b>write</b> a check for rent every month
	<i>Simple past tense</i>		I <b>wrote</b> a check for rent last month
	<i>Present perfect tense</i>		I <b>have written</b> a check for rent every month since I moved there.