

Regular and irregular verbs

A

Regular verbs

The *simple past* and *past participle* of regular verbs is **-ed**:

clean → **cleaned** live → **lived** paint → **painting** study → **studied**

Simple past (→ Unit 11)

- I **cleaned** my room yesterday.
- Charlie **studied** engineering in college.

Past participle

have/has + *past participle* (present perfect → Units 16–17, 19–21):

- I **have cleaned** my room.
- Tina **has lived** in Miami for 10 years.

be (is/are/were/has been, etc.) + *past participle* (passive → Units 22–23):

- These rooms **are cleaned** every day.
- My car **has been repaired**.

B

Irregular verbs

The *simple past* and *past participle* of irregular verbs do *not* end in **-ed**:

	make	break	cut
<i>simple past</i>	made	broke	cut
<i>past participle</i>	made	broken	cut

Sometimes the *simple past* and *past participle* are the same. For example:

	make	find	buy	cut
<i>simple past</i>	made	found	bought	cut
<i>past participle</i>	made	found	bought	cut

- I **made** a cake yesterday. (*simple past*)
- I **have made** some coffee. (*past participle – present perfect*)
- Butter **is made** from milk. (*past participle – present passive*)

Sometimes the *simple past* and *past participle* are different. For example:

	break	know	begin	go
<i>simple past</i>	broke	knew	began	went
<i>past participle</i>	broken	known	begun	gone

- Somebody **broke** this window last night. (*simple past*)
- Somebody **has broken** this window. (*past participle – present perfect*)
- This window **was broken** last night. (*past participle – past passive*)

25.1 Write the simple past / past participle of these verbs. (The simple past and past participle are the same for all the verbs in this exercise.)

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|----------|-------------|------------|-------|----------------|-------|
| 1. make | <u>made</u> | 6. enjoy | _____ | 11. hear | _____ |
| 2. cut | <u>cut</u> | 7. buy | _____ | 12. put | _____ |
| 3. say | _____ | 8. sit | _____ | 13. catch | _____ |
| 4. bring | _____ | 9. leave | _____ | 14. watch | _____ |
| 5. pay | _____ | 10. happen | _____ | 15. understand | _____ |

25.2 Write the simple past and past participle of these verbs.

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|----------|--------------|---------------|-----------|-------|-------|
| 1. break | <u>broke</u> | <u>broken</u> | 8. come | _____ | _____ |
| 2. begin | _____ | _____ | 9. know | _____ | _____ |
| 3. eat | _____ | _____ | 10. take | _____ | _____ |
| 4. drink | _____ | _____ | 11. go | _____ | _____ |
| 5. drive | _____ | _____ | 12. give | _____ | _____ |
| 6. speak | _____ | _____ | 13. throw | _____ | _____ |
| 7. write | _____ | _____ | 14. get | _____ | _____ |

25.3 Put the verb in the right form.

- I washed my hands because they were dirty. (wash)
- Somebody has broken this window. (break)
- I feel good. I _____ very well last night. (sleep)
- We _____ a really good movie yesterday. (see)
- It _____ a lot while we were on vacation. (rain)
- I've _____ my bag. (lose) Have you _____ it? (see)
- Rosa's bicycle was _____ last week. (steal)
- I _____ to bed early because I was tired. (go)
- Have you _____ your work yet? (finish)
- The shopping mall was _____ about 20 years ago. (build)
- Anna _____ to drive when she was 16. (learn)
- I've never _____ a horse. (ride)
- Julia is a good friend of mine. I've _____ her for a long time. (know)
- Yesterday I _____ and _____ my leg. (fall / hurt)
- My brother _____ in the Boston Marathon last year. Have you ever _____ in a marathon? (run / run)

25.4 Complete the sentences. Choose from the box and put the verb into the correct form.

cost drive fly ~~make~~ meet sell
speak swim tell think wake up win

- I have made some coffee. Would you like some?
- Have you _____ John about your new job?
- We played basketball on Sunday. We didn't play very well, but we _____ the game.
- I know Gary, but I've never _____ his wife.
- We were _____ by loud music in the middle of the night.
- Stephanie jumped into the river and _____ to the other side.
- "Did you like the movie?" "Yes, I _____ it was very good."
- Many different languages are _____ in the Philippines.
- Our vacation _____ a lot of money because we stayed in an expensive hotel.
- Have you ever _____ a very fast car?
- All the tickets for the concert were _____ very quickly.
- A bird _____ in through the open window while we were having our dinner.