

REVIEW OF THE PAST TENSE:

We use the past tense to talk about something that happened

last night / yesterday / two days ago / last Monday / last week / last winter

five minutes ago / two days ago

a month ago / three years ago / many years ago / a long time ago

How do we form it?

Regular verbs: add –ed to the verb WALK ---- WALKED

If the verb ends in –e, just add –d LIVE ----- LIVED WORK ----- WORKED

**If the verb ends in a consonant and –y, change the y to i and add -ed

HURRY ---- HURRIED COPY ---- COPIED

**some short verbs which end in a consonant need it doubled before adding –ed:

STOP ---- STOPPED PLAN ---- PLANNED

Many verbs are easy to form in the past tense, because they just need an **–ed** on the end. However, there are quite a few **irregular verbs**. Below are some verbs which don't follow the pattern of just add –ed. They are in groups, so it will be easier to memorize their irregularities:

The O group

drive drove

speak spoke

get up got up

take took

write wrote

break broke

the T group

sleep slept

feel felt

leave left

build built

spend spent

MEMORIZE! ☺

eat ate

the GHT group

buy	bought
teach	taught
think	thought
catch	caught
bring	brought

the A group

run	ran
sing	sang
swim	swam
begin	began
come	came
drink	drank
sit	sat

MEMORIZE! ☺

make	made
do	did

CRAZY PRONUNCIATION: MEMORIZE! ☺read **read****THERE ARE SOME THAT STAY THE SAME!!!**

cut	cut
hit	hit
wet	wet
cost	cost

COMPLETE WITH THE VERB IN THE PAST TENSE, AND READ OUT LOUD:

1. Ann (**want**) _____ to buy new shoes. She (**look**) _____ on-line
 to see if she (**like**) _____ anything. She (**find**) _____ a pair of
 blue sandals that she (**love**) _____, but she (**decide**) _____ to
 wait because she (**want**) _____ to try them on first. Tomorrow, she will go to
 the store.

want look like find love decide

2. We will have a party next week to celebrate Grandmom's 90th birthday. Three weeks ago, I (invite) _____ all of our family members and Grandmom's friends and neighbors. My sister (write) _____ some of the invitations, too. Mom (bake) _____ lots of cookies and (shop) _____ at the mall. We (buy) _____ many gifts for Grandmom, and we (order) _____ a beautiful cake. Grandmom will be very surprised, and I think everyone will have fun!

invite write bake shop buy order

3. David (leave) _____ work early today because he (need) to get a haircut. First, he (call) _____ to make an appointment with the barber. He (make) _____ the appointment for 4:30. Since it was 2:00, David (think) _____ he would go to the grocery store to pick up some fresh vegetables for dinner tonight. He (drive) _____ to the grocery store, (buy) _____ lettuce, peppers, broccoli, spinach, potatoes, and green beans, and (get) _____ some fresh fish, too. David (take) _____ everything to the car and (walk) _____ from the parking lot to the barbershop because it was a nice, sunny day. When he (arrive) _____ at the barbershop, it was early, so he (wait) _____ for 40 minutes. He (read) _____ a little in a magazine, (check) _____ his email, and (look) _____ at the news on Facebook. David's

haircut (**take**) _____ 25 minutes. When he (**finish**) _____,
David (**walk**) _____ to his car, (**open**) _____ the
car door and (**smell**) _____ something.....iali!!! Oh, no! The
fish...the hot sun....ugh! David (**decide**) _____ that he will not
have fish for dinner—it will be a vegetarian dinner tonight.

leave need call make think drive buy get
take walk arrive wait read check look
finish open smell decide

CHECK YOUR ANSWERS:

1. wanted looked liked found loved decided wanted
2. invited wrote baked shopped bought ordered
3. left needed called made thought drove bought got took
walked arrived waited read checked looked take finished
walked opened smelled decided