

Lesson 12

Irregular Verbs

STUDENT OBJECTIVES

- Identify irregular verbs.
- Write the correct form of an irregular verb to show past tense.

Writing Tip

If you're not sure what the past-tense form of a verb is, look up the verb in a dictionary. Dictionaries show the past-tense form of all irregular verbs.

Examples

Present	Past
write	wrote
eat	ate
buy	bought
take	took
drive	drove
speak	spoke

Teach/Model

Remind students that adding *-ed* to most verbs makes them past tense. However, some verbs form the past tense in a different way.

- Define **irregular verb**. An *irregular verb is a verb that does not form the past tense by adding -ed*. For example: *Jackson usually wears sneakers, but today he wore boots*. Explain that *wear* is an irregular verb.
- Give examples of familiar irregular verbs. For example, *eat/ate; sing/sang; speak/spoke; think/though*t.
- Write these examples on the board. Use the modeling to guide students to identify the correct form of irregular verbs.

Example	Model/Think Aloud
How many people <i>rode</i> their bikes yesterday?	<i>Ride is an irregular verb. That means I can't just add -ed to it. The past tense of ride is rode.</i>
Joe <i>saw</i> his brother make a goal.	<i>See is an irregular verb. That means I can't just add -ed to it. The past tense of see is saw.</i>
I <i>heard</i> the crowd roar!	<i>Hear is an irregular verb. The sound of the letters ear is different in hear and heard.</i>

Guided Practice/Apply

Write these sentences on the board. Guide students to supply correct past-tense forms of the irregular verbs.

1. We _____ lemonade at the game. (drink) (*The past tense of drink is drank.*)
2. Some fans _____ in the bleachers. (sit) (*The past tense of sit is sat.*)
3. After the game, we _____ to the movies. (go) (*The past tense of go is went.*)
4. We _____ home very late! (get) (*The past tense of get is got.*)

Assign **Practice, page 177**. Have students check their recent writing to make sure they have used the correct past tense of irregular verbs.

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Underline the irregular past-tense verb in each sentence.


An **irregular verb** does not form the past tense by adding **-ed**.

1. We chose a fantastic day for our school picnic.
2. Mr. Torres brought all the food and drinks in his van.
3. We ate all of the food on the table.
4. Ms. Chang hid the prizes for the treasure hunt.
5. Our teachers took over forty photographs.
6. All the students went on a short walk to the lake.

Complete each sentence. Write the past-tense form of the verb in parentheses.

7. I _____ about an amazing new car. (hear)
8. Test drivers _____ it on trial runs. (take)
9. My friend's family _____ to Utah to see it. (go)
10. My friend _____ in the car, too. (ride)
11. I _____ this car as a research topic. (choose)
12. My dad _____ photos of the car, too. (buy)

Write two sentences. Use an irregular verb in each sentence.

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Use with page 176.