Irregular Verbs

Irregular verbs do not have -ed or -d added to the present tense to form the past tense. Some irregular verbs have special forms in the past tense. They may also have different forms when they are used with a helping verb.

| Common Irregular Verbs | | |
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| Verb | Past tense | Verb with helping verb |
| begin | began | (has, have, had) begun |
| bring | brought | (has, have, had) brought |
| buy | bought | (has, have, had) bought |
| catch | caught | (has, have, had) caught |
| come | came | (has, have, had) come |
| give | gave | (has, have, had) given |
| go | went | (has, have, had) gone |
| make | made | (has, have, had) made |
| say | said | (has, have, had) said |
| see | saw | (has, have, had) seen |
| sell | sold | (has, have, had) sold |
| think | thought | (has, have, had) thought |
| tell | told | (has, have, had) told |

1 Show What You Know

Read the sentences. Circle each irregular verb.

Many people bought flowers at the flower mart last weekend. Growers brought their flowers to the flower mart by truck. The growers sold the flowers from stalls. When you first arrived there, the vibrant colors caught your eye. The fragrance came to you next. The smell went in many directions at once. You thought that you had smelled at least fifty different scents. You bought many different flowers and made a bouquet.

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2 Take It Up a Notch

Read the sentences below. Underline each irregular verb. Write the past tense above the underlined verb.

My best friends, Ciara and Julia, come to my house after school. We think about what to do for our teachers on the last day of school. From the window, I see the beautiful flowers in our garden. I tell them my idea! Ciara goes outside and begins to cut flowers. The three of us make beautiful, small bouquets. On the last day of school, our class gives each of our teachers a bouquet. Ms. Kirby begins to speak. She says, "I am speechless!"





Proofreading Power!

Proofread the paragraph below. Find eight mistakes and correct them, using proofreader's marks.

Gardeners grows and care for plants. It an is activity that many people enjoy. Gardening is practice all over the world. You don't have to be an expert to enjoy gardening. Unlike farming, gardeners often works on small plots of land. They uses spades, rakes, and hoes rather than large equipment. Long ago, people were interested in planting fruits and vegetables for food and herbs for medicines. Today, some people still plan to eat what they grew. However, many will planted flowers and trees for beauty and enjoyment. They love to watch their gardens are growing.

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