

Irregular Verbs Exercises

Level: A2, B1

How irregular verbs work

Irregular verbs don't take -ed in the past. Each has up to three forms to learn: base (go), past simple (went), and past participle (gone).

Three forms: base – past simple – past participle: see – saw – seen, take – took – taken

Same all three: some don't change at all: put – put – put, cost – cost – cost

Vowel families: patterns repeat: sing-sang-sung, ring-rang-rung, drink-drank-drunk

Past simple use: finished past actions: She went home.

Past participle use: perfect tenses and passives: She has gone. / The car was stolen.

Exercise 1: Choose the correct form

Select the correct verb form for each sentence.

1. She ___ her phone at home this morning.
a) leaved b) left c) leaven
2. Have you ever ___ sushi?
a) ate b) eat c) eaten
3. The thief was ___ by the police two days later.
a) caught b) catched c) catch
4. I ___ a strange noise in the night.
a) heared b) heard c) hear
5. He has ___ his homework already.
a) did b) done c) doed

Exercise 2: Type the correct irregular form

Type the past simple form of the verb in brackets.

6. We ___ an amazing castle on our trip. (see)
7. She ___ a glass of water and went back to bed. (drink)
8. My grandfather ___ me how to fish. (teach)
9. The concert ___ two hours ago. (begin)
10. I ___ my old bike to my neighbor for fifty dollars. (sell)

Exercise 3: Put the words in order

Click the words in the correct order to build the sentence.

11. Put the words in the correct order: **found / she / on the street / a wallet**

12. Put the words in the correct order: **has / he / his leg / broken**

13. Put the words in the correct order: **went / to bed / the children / late**

14. Put the words in the correct order: **was / the letter / in 1950 / written**

Exercise 4: True or false?

Decide if each statement about irregular verbs is true or false.

15. The past simple of 'go' is 'goed'. True / False

16. 'Put' has the same form in the present, past simple and past participle. True / False

17. "I have wrote a letter" is correct. True / False

18. Verbs like sing, ring and drink follow the same i-a-u vowel pattern. True / False

Answer key

Exercise 1: Choose the correct form

1. b) left
2. c) eaten
3. a) caught
4. b) heard
5. b) done

Exercise 2: Type the correct irregular form

6. saw
7. drank
8. taught
9. began
10. sold

Exercise 3: Put the words in order

11. she found a wallet on the street
12. he has broken his leg
13. the children went to bed late
14. the letter was written in 1950

Exercise 4: True or false?

15. False
16. True
17. False
18. True