Irregular Verbs Exercises

Level: A2, B1

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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: in the present perfect: She has gone. Use have or has + the past participle.

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 child ___ the ball yesterday.
   a) caught b) catched c) catch
4. 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.

5. She ___ a glass of water and went back to bed. (drink)
6. My grandfather ___ me how to fish. (teach)
7. The concert ___ two hours ago. (begin)
8. 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.

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

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

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

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12. Put the words in the correct order: **has** / **she** / **a letter** / **written**

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Exercise 4: True or false?

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

13. The past simple of 'go' is 'goed'. True / False
14. 'Put' has the same form in the present, past simple and past participle. True / False
15. "I have wrote a letter" is correct. True / False
16. 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) done

Exercise 2: Type the correct irregular form

5. drank
6. taught
7. began
8. sold

Exercise 3: Put the words in order

9. she found a wallet on the street
10. he has broken his leg
11. the children went to bed late
12. she has written a letter

Exercise 4: True or false?

13. False
14. True
15. False
16. True

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