

Below, you will find a list of the most **common irregular verbs in English**. You should know these by heart. To assist you in learning, they have been grouped according to their ending patterns.

Remember that the **base form** is used with the simple present tense. (Example: "I often forget my umbrella.") The **simple past** form is used with the simple past tense. (Example: "I forgot my umbrella yesterday.") The **past participle** is used with the perfect tenses, such as present and past perfect. (Example: "Oh no! It's raining and I've forgotten my umbrella.")

Group 1 – All three forms of the verb are the same

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Base Form	Simple Past	Past Participle
<input type="checkbox"/>	bet	bet	bet
<input type="checkbox"/>	cost	cost	cost
<input type="checkbox"/>	cut	cut	cut
<input type="checkbox"/>	hit	hit	hit
<input type="checkbox"/>	hurt	hurt	hurt
<input type="checkbox"/>	let	let	let
<input type="checkbox"/>	put	put	put
<input type="checkbox"/>	shut	shut	shut

Group 2 – The 2nd and 3rd forms of the verb are the same

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Base Form	Simple Past	Past Participle
<input type="checkbox"/>	lose	lost	lost
<input type="checkbox"/>	shoot	shot	shot
<input type="checkbox"/>	get	got	got
<input type="checkbox"/>	light	lit	lit
<input type="checkbox"/>	sit	sat	sat
<input type="checkbox"/>	keep	kept	kept
<input type="checkbox"/>	sleep	slept	slept
<input type="checkbox"/>	feel	felt	felt
<input type="checkbox"/>	leave	left	left
<input type="checkbox"/>	meet	met	met
<input type="checkbox"/>	bring	brought	brought
<input type="checkbox"/>	buy	bought	bought
<input type="checkbox"/>	fight	fought	fought
<input type="checkbox"/>	think	thought	thought

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Base Form	Simple Past	Past Participle
<input type="checkbox"/>	catch	caught	caught
<input type="checkbox"/>	teach	taught	taught
<input type="checkbox"/>	sell	sold	sold
<input type="checkbox"/>	tell	told	told
<input type="checkbox"/>	pay	paid	paid
<input type="checkbox"/>	make	made	made
<input type="checkbox"/>	stand	stood	stood
<input type="checkbox"/>	understand	understood	understood
<input type="checkbox"/>	lend	lent	lent
<input type="checkbox"/>	send	sent	sent
<input type="checkbox"/>	spend	spent	spent
<input type="checkbox"/>	build	built	built
<input type="checkbox"/>	find	found	found
<input type="checkbox"/>	have	had	had
<input type="checkbox"/>	hear	heard	heard
<input type="checkbox"/>	hold	held	held
<input type="checkbox"/>	read	read (pronounced red)	read (pronounced red)
<input type="checkbox"/>	say	said	said

Group 3 – All three forms of the verb are different

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Base Form	Simple Past	Past Participle
<input type="checkbox"/>	drive	drove	driven
<input type="checkbox"/>	ride	rode	ridden
<input type="checkbox"/>	rise	rose	risen
<input type="checkbox"/>	write	wrote	written
<input type="checkbox"/>	bite	bit	bitten
<input type="checkbox"/>	hide	hid	hidden
<input type="checkbox"/>	break	broke	broken
<input type="checkbox"/>	choose	chose	chosen
<input type="checkbox"/>	speak	spoke	spoken

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Base Form	Simple Past	Past Participle
<input type="checkbox"/>	wake	woke	woken
<input type="checkbox"/>	blow	blew	blown
<input type="checkbox"/>	grow	grew	grown
<input type="checkbox"/>	know	knew	known
<input type="checkbox"/>	fly	flew	flown
<input type="checkbox"/>	draw	drew	drawn
<input type="checkbox"/>	show	showed	shown
<input type="checkbox"/>	wear	wore	worn
<input type="checkbox"/>	tear	tore	torn
<input type="checkbox"/>	begin	began	begun
<input type="checkbox"/>	drink	drank	drunk
<input type="checkbox"/>	swim	swam	swum
<input type="checkbox"/>	ring	rang	rung
<input type="checkbox"/>	sing	sang	sung
<input type="checkbox"/>	eat	ate	eaten
<input type="checkbox"/>	fall	fell	fallen
<input type="checkbox"/>	forget	forgot	forgotten
<input type="checkbox"/>	give	gave	given
<input type="checkbox"/>	see	saw	seen
<input type="checkbox"/>	take	took	taken