

IRREGULAR VERBS

Every verb has one form that can be combined with helping verbs such as "have" and "has" to make verbs of more than one word. This form is called the past participle. The past participle never changes, no matter what the subject and no matter what the helping verb.

While regular verbs form the past tenses by adding -ed, a number of verbs do not. These are called irregular verbs. Some of the common irregular verbs are conjugated below. Remember that the past participle form requires the use of a helping verb. (See the handout on "Helping Verbs. ")

<u>Present</u>	<u>Past</u>	<u>Past Participle</u>
beat	beat	beaten
begin	began	begun
bend	bent	bent
bite	bit	bitten
blow	blew	blown
break	broke	broken
bring	brought	brought
build	built	built
buy	bought	bought
burst	burst	burst
catch	caught	caught
choose	chose	chosen
come	came	come
cost	cost	cost
deal	dealt	dealt
dive	dived (dove)	dived
do	did	done
draw	drew	drawn
drive	drove	driven
drink	drank	drunk
eat	ate	eaten
fall	fell	fallen
feel	felt	felt
fly	flew	flown

Present

forget
freeze
give
go
grow
hide
know
lend
lay (put, place)
lie (recline)
lose
ride
ring
rise
run
set
shake
shrink
sing
sink
sit
speak
stand
steal
strike
swear
swim
take
teach
tear
throw
wear
write

Past

forgot
froze
gave
went
grew
hid
knew
lent
laid
lay
lost
rode
rang
rose
ran
set
shook
shrank
sang
sank
sat
spoke
stood
stole
struck
swore
swam
took
taught
tore
threw
wore
wrote

Past Participle

forgotten
frozen
given
gone
grown
hidden
known
lent
laid
lain
lost
ridden
rung
risen
run
set
shaken
shrunk, shrunken
sung
sunk
sat
spoken
stood
stolen
struck, stricken
sworn
swum
taken
taught
torn
thrown
worn
written