

Common Irregular English Verbs

Verb List

Verb	Past Tense	Present Tense	Future Tense
to be	was, were	am, is, are	will be
to begin	began	begin, begins	will begin
to bite	bit	bite, bites	will bite
to blow	blew	blow, blows	will blow
to break	broke	break, breaks	will break
to bring	brought	bring, brings	will bring
to build	built	build, builds	will build
to burst	burst	burst, bursts	will burst
to buy	bought	buy, buys	will buy
to catch	caught	catch, catches	will catch
to choose	chose	choose, chooses	will choose
to come	came	come, comes	will come
to deal	dealt	deal, deals	will deal
to dive	dove (dived)	dive, dives	will dive
to do	did	do, does	will do
to draw	drew	draw, draws	will draw
to drink	drank	drink, drinks	will drink
to drive	drove	drive, drives	will drive
to fall	fell	fall, falls	will fall
to feel	felt	feel, feels	will feel
to fly	flew	fly, flies	will fly
to forget	forgot	forget, forgets	will forget
to freeze	froze	freeze, freezes	will freeze
to go	went	go, goes	will go
to grow	grew	grow, grows	will grow
to have	had	have, has	will have
to hit	hit	hit, hits	will hit
to hold	held	hold, holds	will hold
to know	knew	know, knows	will know
to lay (place)	laid	lay, lays	will lay
to lead	led	lead, leads	will lead
to lie (recline)	lay	lie, lies	will lie
to make	made	make, makes	will make
to read	read	read, reads	will read
to ride	rode	ride, rides	will ride
to ring	rang	ring, rings	will ring
to rise	rose	rise, rises	will rise
to run	ran	run, runs	will run
to see	saw	see, sees	will see

Verb List (Continued)

Verb	Past Tense	Present Tense	Future Tense
to shake	shook	shake, shakes	will shake
to shrink	shrank	shrink, shrinks	will shrink
to sing	sang	sing, sings	will sing
to sit	sat	sit, sits	will sit
to speak	spoke	speak, speaks	will speak
to sting	stung	sting, stings	will sting
to swim	swam	swim, swims	will swim
to take	took	take, takes	will take
to teach	taught	teach, teaches	will teach
to tear	tore	tear, tears	will tear
to tell	told	tell, tells	will tell
to throw	threw	throw, throws	will throw
to wake	woke	wake, wakes	will wake
to wear	wore	wear, wears	will wear
to weave	wove	weave, weaves	will weave
to write	wrote	write, writes	will write

Note: Please consult a dictionary for verbs not on this list.

Verbs I Use Most

Use the space below to write a list of irregular verbs and their forms which you want to remember.

Verb	Past Tense	Present Tense	Future Tense
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