



Regular Past Tense – Pronunciation of -ed ending: 't', 'd' & 'id'

Ed as "T"

Voiceless sound: – p – k – s – ch – sh – f – x – h - pronounce ED as "T"

hoped	asked
joked	lunched
jumped	briefed
laughed	brushed
locked	cooked
missed	danced
mixed	dropped

Remember that it depends on the ending sound of the verb, not the letter. For example, in *advise*, the 's' is pronounced as a [z]. Therefore, it doesn't have the 't' ending sound.

-ed as "D"

Voiced sound: – l – v – n – m – r – b – v – g – w – y – z – and vowel sounds pronounce ED as "D"

agreed	explored
allowed	happened
believed	imagined
called	filled
carried	listened
cleaned	answered

-ed as "ID"

Verbs ending with –t or –d pronounce ED as "ID"

attended	invented
arrested	needed
contacted	printed
decided	provided
divided	respected
expected	started
invited	ended

Spelling rules

Infinitive	Past form	Spelling rule
Watch, play	Watched, played	Add -ed
Live, Hope	Lived, hoped	Verbs ending in e, add -d
Stop, travel	Stopped, traveled	Verbs ending with vowel + consonant = double the consonant
Study, try	Studied, tried	Verbs ending with consonant + 'y' = change 'y' to 'i' and add -ed

Regular Past Tense Revision

Here are some regular past verbs. Write them in the columns below according to their pronunciation:

Like	Wash	Live
Walk	Play	Watch
Look	Try	Enjoy
Listen	Pay	Jump
Talk	Paint	Faint
Chat	Study	Borrow
Arrive	Dance	Answer
Travel	Pick	Touch

[t]	[d]	[ɪd]

Complete the sentences using the verbs in the past tense (regular and irregular).

1. I _____ (need) a pencil to write a letter.
2. John _____ (play) his guitar every day last week.
3. I _____ (jog) every Wednesday and Sunday last month.
4. Anna _____ (score) two goals in the football match last week.
5. The police _____ (arrest) both the bank robbers.
6. We _____ (take) some photos yesterday.
7. Last night we _____ (watch) a great film on my new TV.
8. She _____ (ride) her bike to work when she lived in London.
9. The students _____ (answer) all the questions correctly.
10. He _____ (drop) the ball and they _____ (lose) the match.
11. I _____ (buy) a new TV last week.
12. He _____ (listen) to the radio in the evening.
13. James _____ (study) Chemistry at Cambridge University.
14. Annie _____ (catch) the train at six this morning.