

Exercises with Verbs

Exercise 1: Below is a list of verbs. Separate them into two columns: *Regular Verbs and Irregular Verbs.*

find	play	listen	run	eat	watch	open	drink	go	call	make
cook	see	take	talk	come	clean	study	write	walk		

Regular verbs	Irregular verbs

Exercise 2: Each verb has one form filled in. Complete the other two missing forms in the table.

Base Form	Simple Past	Past Participle
go		
	bought	
eat		
		found
take		

	saw	
speak		
		written
	knew	
run		
wear		
		read
drive		
	made	
begin		
	slept	
drink		
shake		
tell		
	met	
come		
leave		
	rose	
		broken
bring		

Exercise 3: Read each sentence carefully and fill in the blank with the correct form of the verb in parentheses. The sentences include a mix of tenses.

- By the time we arrived, they _____ (leave) the restaurant.
- If he _____ (know) about the meeting, he would have come.
- They _____ (not see) each other since the graduation ceremony.

- While I _____ (walk) to work, I suddenly remembered I forgot my keys.
- He _____ (speak) to the manager before making a decision.
- We _____ (take) the wrong bus and ended up in the wrong part of town.
- She usually _____ (wake) up early, but today she overslept.
- By next year, they _____ (complete) the new bridge construction.
- I _____ (run) five miles when it started to rain.
- He _____ (break) his leg while skiing last winter.
- She _____ (find) a wallet on the street and returned it to the owner.
- At this time tomorrow, we _____ (fly) to Paris for vacation.
- They _____ (not attend) the meeting because they were stuck in traffic.
- He _____ (feel) nervous before giving his first presentation.
- When I called, they _____ (have) dinner with their family.

Exercise 4: Complete the story by filling in the blanks with the correct form of the verb in parentheses.

I _____ (wake / woke) up early this morning.

On my way to the kitchen, I _____ (see / saw) that it _____ (was raining / rained) outside.

I _____ (had decided / decided /) to make some coffee.

While the coffee _____ (brewed / was brewing), I _____ (checked / was checking) my emails.

Suddenly, I _____ (had remember / remembered) that I _____ (left / had left) my umbrella at work yesterday.

By the time I _____ (finish / finished / had finished) my coffee, the rain _____ (had stopped / stopped).

I quickly _____ (put / putted) on my shoes and _____ (leave / left) the house.

While walking to work, I _____ (had realized / realized) that I _____ (forgot / had forgotten) my keys at home.

So, I _____ (had turn / turned) around and _____ (run / ran) back to get them.

ANSWER KEY

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write	wrote	written
know	knew	known
run	ran	run
wear	wore	worn
read	read	read
drive	drove	driven
make	made	made
begin	began	begun
sleep	slept	slept
drink	drank	drunk
shake	shook	shaken
tell	told	told
meet	met	met
come	came	come
leave	left	left
rise	rose	risen
break	broke	broken
bring	brought	brought

Exercise 3: Read each sentence carefully and fill in the blank with the correct form of the verb in parentheses. The sentences include a mix of tenses.

- By the time we arrived, they **had left** the restaurant.

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- While I **was walking** to work, I suddenly remembered I forgot my keys.
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