

Regular Verbs • Practice 1

Regular verbs form the tenses following a regular, consistent pattern. The four parts used to form the tenses are the present, present participle, past, and past participle.

PRINCIPAL PARTS OF REGULAR VERBS			
Present	Present Participle	Past	Past Participle
laugh offer fade	(am) laughing (am) offering (is) fading	laughed offered faded	(have) laughed (have) offered (has) faded

Exercise 1 Using Regular Verbs. Look at the tense of the regular verb underlined in each sentence below. If it is correct, write *C* in the blank provided. If it is not correct, write the correct tense in the blank.

EXA	MPLE: Yesterday, I am	wishing for a bike. <u>wished</u>
1.	Last week, I have pain	ted the fence.
2.	The artist will donate	watercolor.
		oney for its next project.
4.	I will present the aware	ds last night
		eball game right now.
6.	Yesterday, the band wi	ll practice for three hours.
		e jump over a hurdle
8.	After dinner, I will tast	e the chocolate cake.
9.	After the job was done	we will divide the profits.
10.	I <u>love</u> chocolate chip co	ookies.
	verb in parentheses.	Work With Regular Verbs. In each blank below, write the correct form of the down the street just now. (race)
1.	Liz is	her hair. (brush)
		n Carrey famous people. (imitate)
		the tank with gasoline. (fill)
		spinach. (hate)
		the performance. (attend)
6.	The school has	the library for the day. (close)
7.	He will	us some magic tricks. (show)
8.	We have	lots of card games. (play)
9.	The gardener has	the lawn for weeds. (spray)
10.	I am	the flag. (salute)

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	Exercise 1 Using Regular Verbs.	In each blank below, write the correct form of the verb in
	parentheses.	
ΧA	MPLE: Ifinished reading that b	book last week. (finish)
1.	A few weeks ago, my friend	a book to me. (recommend)
2.	While I was on vacation, I	to read it. (start)
3.	It tells of a family that is	in Connecticut. (live)
		the start of the American Revolution. (witness)
		rest of the family has at
6.	The parents have	loyal to England. (remain)
7.	Everywhere, patriots are	about the British. (complain)
		committees. (create)
	I have	
	I will	
		ular Verbs. Follow the directions for Exercise 1.
1.	Scientists have	many underground caves and caverns. (explore)
		numerous interesting rock formations. (photograph)
3.	Rock formations resembling flowers ha	ave (develop)
4.	I am	about these fabulous interiors. (learn)
		about how caves are formed. (learn)
6.	Some caves in Italy have been	for thousands of years. (inhabit)
		in the United States. (discover)
	I am	
9.	Water dripped onto the cave floor and (deposit)	minerals, forming spires.
10.	Interesting columns have	where spires of limestone join. (form)
		gular Verbs in Sentences. Write ten sentences telling about e some form of each of the following verbs: <i>start, wait, call, act,</i>
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Irregular Verbs • Practice 1

A small group of verbs are called irregular verbs. These verbs differ from regular verbs in the way they form the tenses. Irregular verbs do not form the participle by adding -ed or -d to the present.

IRREGULAR VERBS WITH THE SAME PAST AND PAST PARTICIPLE			
Present	Present Participle	Past	Past Participle
shoot wind feel	(am) shooting (am) winding (am) feeling	shot wound felt	(have) shot (have) wound (have) felt

	Exercise 1 Using Irregular	Verbs. If the irregular verb underlined in each sentence is correct,
	osing in egului	lar verb is incorrect, write the correct verb tense in the blank.
EXA	MPLE: I leaded the group on the	hike. led
1.	Today, we are bought a new car	·
		onstantly.
3.	The car spun out of control.	
	I shot at the target tomorrow	
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6.	Yesterday, Mike has got some g	ood fish.
7.	In the past, I have even more ba	aseball cards.
8.	Nick is having second thoughts	
		all
10.	Yesterday morning, I learn abou	at the Civil War.
	Exercise 2 More Work Wi	th Irregular Verbs. In each blank below, write the correct verb tense eses.
EXA	MPLE: The company hasbu	ilt many homes in the area. (build)
1.	Last year, they	a cake for his birthday. (buy)
	My father is	
		their vacation pictures. (bring)
4.	Are you	what you need? (get)
		the crowds tiresome. (find)
6.	Have you	the bill? (pay)
		the suspect. (catch)
		the monkey while my picture was taken. (hold)
9.	Yesterday, I	and missed. (swing)

to the original agreement. (stick)

10. Last year, we

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_	verb in parentheses.	rbs. In each blank below, write the past or past participle for the
ΧA	MPLE: Last week, Michelle boug	ght a new jacket. (buy)
1.	Andrew had	enough trout to feed our entire family. (catch)
		the postcard I sent you from Florida? (get)
		the way and Paula followed. (lead)
		for this tape, I can give it to you. (pay)
		a tale of romance and adventure. (spin)
	I	
		the bat, hit the ball, and ran to first base. (swing)
8.	Mrs. Scott has	a new coat. (buy)
9.	Eddie	good news waiting for him when he got home. (have)
		a guest home to dinner. (bring)
11.	The club members	for the costumes. (pay)
12.	Our team won the first game and _	the second. (lose)
13.	Have you	your guitar? (bring)
14.	It seems that you have	a cold. (catch)
15.	Dan has	three model airplanes this year. (build)
16.	Last summer a bee	me on the thumb. (sting)
17.	Dina has	this brand of toothpaste before. (buy)
18.	Phil	in the orchestra during the first part of the performance. (sit)
19.	The nurse had	out the instruments for the doctor. (lay)
20.	Has the gate	shut? (swing)
		Irregular Verbs. Write an advertisement for a "new" cereal. the following verbs: buy, get, say, pay, have, build, lay, and sit.

Troublesome Verbs: Did and Done

Practice 1

One troublesome verb is do. Many people are confused about when to use did and done. It helps to first memorize the principal parts of the verb do.

PRINCIPAL PARTS OF DO			
Present	Present Participle	Past	Past Participle
do	(am) doing	did	(have) done

Did is never used with a helping verb, but a helping verb must always accompany done.

INCORRECT AND CORRECT USAGE OF DO	
Incorrect	Correct
They have did their homework. I done my research.	They <i>did</i> their homework. I <i>have done</i> my research.

Exercise 1 Using *Did* **and** *Done.* In the sentences below, circle the correct verb from the two given in parentheses.

EXAMPLE: The crickets have ((done), did) damage to the crops.

- 1. We (done, did) a good day's work.
- 2. Mary has (done, did) papier-mâché projects before this.
- 3. The class has (done, did) nothing to celebrate Valentine's Day.
- 4. I (done, did) my paper route in half the time today.
- 5. The helmet has (done, did) a good job protecting the rider's head.
- 6. Exercise has (done, did) me a world of good.
- 7. Melanie has already (done, did) the decorations.
- 8. Mother (done, did) her shopping at the mall.
- 9. We (done, did) the assignment without any help.
- 10. You have (done, did) a kind act.

	More Work With <i>Did</i> and <i>Done</i> . In each blank below, write the correct use of <i>did</i>
	or done.
EXA	MPLE: I done cake decorating beforehave done
1.	We have <u>did</u> the yard work for our neighbor.
2.	May always done the lead in our plays.
3.	I <u>done</u> the dusting earlier today.
4.	The loose gravel has did damage to the car's paint.
5.	The horse <u>done</u> the track in record time.

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	Exercise 1 Usin	ng Did and Done. Write the correct use of did or done in each sentence below.
ΧA	MPLE: They have	done all the filming in New York.
	_	more damage than the violent winds.
		what was necessary.
		scenes from Shakespeare's play Hamlet.
		a number of odd jobs at home.
		me a big favor.
		r twenty-five miles per gallon.
		many useful things for this city.
		the dishes.
		this scene over seven times.
		all I could.
		re Work With <i>Did</i> and <i>Done</i> . Follow the directions for Exercise 1.
		his act on the stage.
		a mile in less than four minutes.
		the problem on the blackboard.
		badly in the race.
		the work for you.
		ve their best to win.
		the dishes yet?
8.	I	what you asked.
9.	You	a wonderful job!
10.	We have always	things this way.
	Writing Applica	Using <i>Did</i> and <i>Done</i> in Sentences. Write five sentences using <i>did</i> .
	Write about things the	hat you have accomplished. Then, write five sentences using <i>done</i> with a helping
		ings that other people have accomplished.
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Troublesome Verbs: Lay and Lie • Practice 1

Two verbs that are very different but are often confused are *lay* and *lie*. First, they have different meanings. To *lay* means "to put or place something." To *lie* means "to rest in a reclining position" or "to be situated." Second, their principal parts are different.

PRINCIPAL PARTS OF LAY AND LIE				
Present Present Participle		Past	Past Participle	
lay lie	(am) laying (am) lying	laid lay	(have) laid (have) lain	

Finally, lay always takes a direct object while lie does not.

EXAMPLES: I *laid* the book on the table. I *lay* down for a rest.

Exercise 1 Using Lay and Lie. In each sentence below, circle the correct verb from the two given in parentheses.

EXAMPLE: The contractor is ((laying), lying) bricks.

- 1. I have (laid, lain) the rumor to rest.
- 2. The house (lays, lies) just west of the ridge.
- 3. We (laid, lay) our picnic basket on the ground.
- 4. Matt (laid, lay) on the grass, looking up at the clouds.
- 5. The chickens are (laying, lying) plenty of eggs every day.
- 6. The kittens (lain, lie) cozily next to their mother.
- 7. The team's best hope (lays, lies) with the next batter.
- 8. We have (laid, lain) out the pictures we like best.
- 9. Tara (laid, lay) on a metal table to have the X-ray taken.
- 10. The broken tracks are (laying, lying) a mile outside the train station.

Exercise 2 More Work With *Lay* and *Lie*. Correct each of the underlined verbs below by writing in the correct form of *lay* or *lie*.

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	Exercise 1	Using Lay and Lie. In each blank below, write the correct verb form from the two
	given in parenthe	eses.
XA	MPLE: Grandma	islying down in her room. (lying, laying)
1.	Melissa usually	her knapsack in the corner of her room. (lays, lies)
2.	Ι	under this tree for hours. (lay, lain)
3.	The photograph	er his equipment down very carefully. (laid, lay)
4.	Marsha	on the beach, listening to music. (lays, lies)
5.	I am	your mail on your desk. (laying, lying)
6.	The shovel	untouched in the garden. (lay, laid)
7.	Where have you	your hat? (laid, lain)
8.	Rolling hills	everywhere I looked. (laid, lay)
		to the north of the United States. (lays, lies)
10.	Sharon	her book aside and went out. (laid, lay)
	Exercise 2	More Work With Lay and Lie. Follow the directions for Exercise 1.
		on the floor, reading a mystery novel. (lying, laying)
		this calculator on my dresser? (lain, laid)
		near his master. (lay, laid)
		awake for hours. (laid, lain)
		new carpet in this room. (laying, lying)
		on the floor for hours. (lays, lies)
		buried in the backyard. (laid, lay)
		our designs out on the easels. (lying, laying)
		our gear down. (laid, lay)
		his rock collection here. (lying, laying)
\geq	Writing Appl	Using Lay and Lie in Sentences. Write five sentences using the verb
	lay and five sente	ences using the verb <i>lie</i> . Use at least three different forms of the verbs <i>lay</i> and <i>lie</i> .
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Troublesome Verbs: Set and Sit • Practice 1

Set and sit are often confused because they look and sound alike. To tell the difference between the two, remember that set means "to put something in place," while sit means "to be seated" or "to rest."

PRINCIPAL PARTS OF SET AND SIT			
Present	Present Participle	Past	Past Participle
set sit	(am) setting (am) sitting	set sat	(have) set (have) sat

Set is always followed by a direct object; sit is not.

EXAMPLE: I set the table.

I sat in the easy chair.

Exercise 1 Using *Set* and *Sit* Correctly. In each sentence below, circle the correct verb from the two given in parentheses.

EXAMPLE: We (set, (sat)) near the phone, waiting for the call.

- 1. The teacher (set, sat) her briefcase down.
- 2. The troublemakers are (setting, sitting) near the back.
- 3. I (set, sat) my purse on the table.
- 4. The clerk is (setting, sitting) the grocery bags in the cart.
- 5. I (set, sat) next to an air conditioner.
- 6. The audience has (set, sat) patiently, waiting for the show to start.
- 7. The photograph is (setting, sitting) on my dresser.
- 8. Our teacher clearly (set, sat) the standards for the class.
- 9. Each week Don is (setting, sitting) new school records in track.
- 10. I (set, sat) beside the lake with my line dangling in the water.

Exercise 2 More Work With *Set* and *Sit*. Correct each of the underlined verbs below by writing the correct form of *set* or *sat* in the blank.

1. My dog always sets in my father's favorite chair.

2. I sat the lumber down with a thud.

3. We have set here all morning.

4. Allison sits the dishes in the cupboard.

5. I am sitting a good example for my brother.

6. The empty garbage cans are setting near the road.

7. The waiter sat the bill beside my plate.

8. The saddle is setting in the stable.

9. Damon has sat our report on the teacher's desk.

10. The cast sits the scenery up before the show.

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	Exercise 1 Using Set an	d Sit. In each blank below, write the correct verb form from the two
	given in parentheses.	
XA	MPLE: Felicia usuallysits	in the first row. (sits, sets)
1.	Mr. Randolph	the projector on a table in the back of the room. (set, sat)
2.	Tommy	next to me in English class. (sets, sits)
3.	The trophy is	on my mantel for everyone to see. (setting, sitting)
		on the porch for hours. (set, sat)
5.	The storekeeper is	jars on the shelf. (setting, sitting)
6.	When we play badminton, I	the net up. (set, sit)
		the books in a pile. (sitting, setting)
8.	I have	your wet umbrella in the hallway. (set, sat)
9.	We	on the carpet and listened to a fascinating story. (sat, set)
10.	The statue	on top of a mountain. (sits, sets)
	Exercise 2 More Work	With Set and Sit. Follow the directions for Exercise 1.
		on the sidelines. (sitting, setting)
		at our table during lunch. (sat, set)
		her packages on the chair. (set, sat)
	<u>-</u>	all the boxes together. (setting, sitting)
		on this chair. (sits, sets)
6.	Daniel	his suitcase in the baggage rack. (set, sat)
7.	We are	the chairs on stage. (sitting, setting)
8.	Joan has	at her desk for hours. (sat, set)
9.	Who is	over there? (setting, sitting)
10.	Janet	her plants in the sunshine. (sat, set)
	Writing Application	Using Set and Sit in Sentences. Write a paragraph describing your
	classroom. Then, tell how it c	ould be rearranged. Use at least three different forms of the verbs set and
	sit.	

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Subject Pronouns • Practice 1

Pronouns used as the subject of a sentence are called subject pronouns.

SUBJECT PRONOUNS

Singular: I, you, he, she, it
Plural: we, you, they

To help you decide on the correct subject pronoun to use, take out any other subjects in a sentence. Then, say the sentence with each of the pronouns you are considering; use the one that sounds right.

Exercise 1 Identifying the Correct Subject Pronoun. Circle the correct subject pronoun from the two in parentheses.

EXAMPLE: Natalie and (I), me) are nominees for class president.

- 1. Did you or (I, me) volunteer to pick up the food?
- 2. You and (me, I) can watch television.
- 3. The Boy Scouts and (us, we) are good campers.
- 4. Either you or (they, them) will make the decision.
- 5. Did Lisa and (her, she) stop by your house?
- 6. Neither (we, us) nor the Red Cross can provide enough medical supplies.
- 7. My mother and (me, I) are about the same size.
- 8. Either the fire department or (they, them) should be called.
- 9. (She, her) and I will miss each other.
- 10. Has Mark or (he, him) passed the finish line yet?

Exercise 2 Using the Correct Subject Pronoun. An incorrect pronoun has been used in each sentence. Write in the correct subject pronoun in the blank.

EXAMPLE: My brother and me went to the zooI				
1.	We and them will battle for the trophy.			
2.	Neither you nor her has been elected.			
3.	Bill and me collect baseball cards.			
4.	Either they or us will get the new equipment.			
5.	Bill and him have gone on a bike ride.			
6.	Miriam and me joined the swim team.			
7.	7. Neither we nor them know when the parade starts.			
8.	You and him look very much alike			
9.	Either it broke by itself or him broke it.			
10	Neither you nor me like the cake			

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	Exercise 1 Identifying t	the Correct Subject Pronoun. Complete each sentence below with the
	correct subject pronoun in pa	rentheses.
EXA	MPLE: Dr. Turner and he	performed the experiment. (he, him)
		will be on television. (I, me)
2.	Either Erica or	will check the calculations. (her, she)
3.	The Hendersons and	are amateur golfers. (we, us)
4.	Neither the manager nor	like the idea. (them, they)
5.	You and	can change the tire. (me, I)
6.	Mr. Miller and	agree to try the product. (he, him)
7.	Both Julia and	took piano lessons. (her, she)
		are well-matched. (we, us)
9.	The Rangers or	play here today. (they, them)
10.	Roy and	wrote to their state senator. (he, him)
	Exercise 2 More Work	With Subject Pronouns. Follow the directions for Exercise 1.
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1.	The travel agent and	planned the trip. (they, them)
		admired the building. (us, we)
3.	You and	will enjoy the new exhibit. (she, her)
4.	Fred and	began a small newsletter. (me, I)
5.	The fireman and	checked the building. (he, him)
6.	Teresa and	spend time in the greenhouse. (me, I)
7.	Douglas and	made the rules. (they, them)
8.	You and	worked well together. (she, her)
9.	The fifth graders and	organized the book fair. (we, us)
10.	Phil and	took pictures of old houses. (he, him)
	Writing Application	
	compound subjects. Use one	Using Subject Pronouns in Sentences. Write ten sentences with or more of the following subject pronouns in each sentence: <i>I, you, he,</i>
	she, it, we, and they.	in more of the following subject profloms in each sentence. 1, you, he,
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