

## IRREGULAR VERBS IN ENGLISH

Here are the most common irregular verbs in groups of similarity to make them easier to memorise.

### (1) TYPE A-A-A VERBS: VERBS WITH THE SAME FORMS

#### 1. "A-A-A- SAME FORM" GROUP

V1 BASE FORM	V2 PAST SIMPLE	V3 P. PARTICIPLE	SPANISH MEANING
bet /bet /	bet /bet/	bet /bet/	apostar
cost /kɒst/	cost /kɒst/	cost /kɒst/	costar
cut /kʌt/	cut /kʌt/	cut /kʌt/	cortar
hit /hɪt/	hit /hɪt/	hit /hɪt/	golpear
hurt /hɜ:t/	hurt /hɜ:t/	hurt / hɜ:t/	doler, lastimar
let /let/	let /let/	let /let/	permitir, dejar
put /put/	put /put/	put /put/	poner
set /set/	set /set/	set /set/	colocar, estar situado
sweat (r.) /swet/	sweat /swet/	sweat /swet/	sudar
shut /ʃʌt/	shut /ʃʌt/	shut /ʃʌt/	cerrar

### (2) TYPE A-B-B VERBS: VERBS WITH ONLY 2 DIFFERENT FORMS (PAST SIMPLE AND PAST PARTICIPLE ARE THE SAME: V2 = V3)

#### 2.1 "A-B-B - D" GROUP

V1 BASE FORM	V2 PAST SIMPLE	V3 P. PARTICIPLE	SPANISH MEANING
bleed /bli:d/	bled /bled/	bled /bled/	sangrar
feed /fi:d/	fed /fed/	fed /fed/	alimentar
find /faɪnd/	found /faʊnd/	found /faʊnd/	encontrar
have /hæv/	had /hæd/	had /hæd/	tener / haber
hear /hiə/	heard /hɜ:d/	heard /hɜ:d/	oír
hold /həʊld/	held /held/	held /held/	sostener, sujetar
lead /li:d/	led /led/	led /led/	dirigir, llevar
make /meɪk/	made /meɪd/	made /meɪd/	hacer, fabricar
pay /peɪ/	paid /peɪd/	paid /peɪd/	pagar
read /ri:d/	read /red/*	read /red/*	leer
say /seɪ/	said /sed/	said /sed/	decir
sell /sel/	sold /səʊld/	sold /səʊld/	vender
tell /tel/	told /təʊld/	told /təʊld/	decir, contar
stand /stænd/	stood /stʊd/	stood /stʊd/	estar de pie, permanecer
understand	understood	understood	entender, comprender

#### 2.2 "A-B-B - T" GROUP (SAME VOWEL SOUNDS)

V1 BASE FORM	V2 PAST SIMPLE	V3 P. PARTICIPLE	SPANISH MEANING
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build /bɪld/	built /bɪlt/	built /bɪlt/	construir
burn (r.) /bɜ:n/	burnt /bɜ:nt/	burnt /bɜ:nt/	quemar, arder
learn (r.) /lɜ:n/	learnt /lɜ:nt/	learnt /lɜ:nt/	aprender
lend /lend/	lent /lent/	lent /lent/	prestar
send /send/	sent /sent/	sent /sent/	enviar
smell /smel/	smelt /smelt/	smelt /smelt/	oler
spell /spel/	spelt /spelt/	spelt /spelt/	deletrear
spend /spend/	spent /spent/	spent /spent/	gastar(dinero), pasar tiempo
sweep /swi:p/	swept /swept/	swept /swept/	barrer, apartar

#### 2.3 "A-B-B - T" GROUP (DIFFERENT VOWEL SOUNDS)

V1 BASE FORM	V2 PAST SIMPLE	V3 P. PARTICIPLE	SPANISH MEANING
dream (r.) /dri:m/	dreamt /dremt/	dreamt /dremt/	soñar
feel /fi:l/	felt /felt/	felt /felt/	sentir
keep /ki:p/	kept /kept/	kept /kept/	guardar, mantener
leave /li:v/	left /left/	left /left/	dejar, marcharse
mean /mi:n/	meant /ment/	meant /ment/	significar, querer decir
meet /mi:t/	met /met/	met /met/	conocer, encontrarse
sleep /sli:p/	slept /slept/	slept /slept/	dormir
get /get/	got /gɒt/	got /gɒt/	obtener
lose /lu:z/	lost /lɒst/	lost /lɒst/	perder
shoot /ʃu:t/	shot /ʃɒt/	shot /ʃɒt/	disparar
sit /sɪt/	sat /sæt/	sat /sæt/	sentarse
spit /spɪt/	spat /spæt/	spat /spæt/	escupir
light /laɪt/	lit /lɪt/	lit /lɪt/	encender
shine /ʃaɪn/	shone /ʃɒn/	shone /ʃɒn/	brillar
win /wɪn/	won /wɒn/	won /wɒn/	ganar

#### 2.4 "A-B-B - OUGHT" GROUP

V1 BASE FORM	V2 PAST SIMPLE	V3 P. PARTICIPLE	SPANISH MEANING
bring /brɪŋ/	brought /brɔ:t/	brought /brɔ:t/	traer
buy /baɪ/	bought /bɔ:t/	bought /bɔ:t/	comprar
fight /faɪt/	fought /fɔ:t/	fought /fɔ:t/	luchar
think /θɪŋk/	thought /θɔ:t/	thought /θɔ:t/	pensar
catch /kætʃ/	caught /kɔ:t/	caught /kɔ:t/	coger
teach /ti:tʃ/	taught /tɔ:t/	taught /tɔ:t/	enseñar
seek /si:k/	sought /sɔ:t/	sought /sɔ:t/	buscar

### (3) TYPE A-B-A VERBS: V1 = V3

V1 BASE FORM	V2 PAST SIMPLE	V3 P. PARTICIPLE	SPANISH MEANING
become /bi'kʌm/	became /bi'keɪm/	become /bi'kʌm/	llegar a ser
come /kʌm/	came /keɪm/	come /kʌm/	venir
run /rʌn/	ran /ræn/	run /rʌn/	correr

