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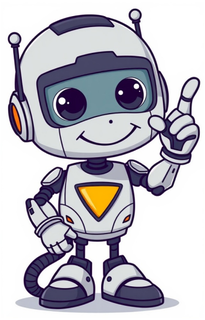

Englishpage.com's List of English Irregular Verbs contains over 370 irregular verbs used in modern English. We also offer free irregular verb flashcards and exercises, a printable PDF of the Top 100 Irregular Verbs, and an extended list including rare verb forms. Just scroll down to begin! Below, we have created eight sets of flashcards as well as simple irregular verb drills to help English learners learn more than 160 of the most common irregular verbs in English. Download our printable PDF List of the 100 Most Common Irregular Verbs in English. English teachers and trainers, please read our terms of use. Irregular verbs are verbs which do not follow normal rules for conjugation. For example, the irregular verb be has several unique forms (I am, you are, he is) which are quite different from regular verbs such as cook (I cook, you cook, he cooks). How many irregular verbs are there in English? Englishpage.com has conducted an extensive text analysis of over 2,000 novels and resources and we have found 680 irregular verbs so far including prefixed verbs (misunderstand, reread) as well as rare and antiquated forms (colorbreed, bethink). What are some examples of irregular verbs? Good examples of irregular verbs include have, understand and draw. Notice that their past forms had, understood and drew are very different from regular verbs, which end with -d or -ed. For more examples, see Englishpage.com's list of irregular verbs. What are the most common irregular verbs in English? According to Englishpage.com's text analysis of over 2,000 novels and resources, the most common irregular verbs in English are: be, have, say, do, know, get, see, think, go and take. Are there big differences in the irregular verb forms used in British English and American English? While many references show strong differences between British and American English in irregular verb use, Englishpage.com's research shows that there is far more crossover than many of these references might suggest. (Where we did find a real statistical difference, we have listed the British forms in italics.) Which verb tenses have irregular forms in English? In English, irregular verb forms occur in simple present and simple past as well as past participles. Remember that past participles are used in many verb forms including: present perfect, past perfect, future perfect, passive forms and past conditional forms. Read about our irregular verb research and how these resources were created. Also found in: Thesaurus, Medical, Legal, Financial, Acronyms, Idioms, Encyclopedia, Wikipedia. (-rgy-lr)adj.1. Contrary to rule, accepted order, or general practice: irregular hiring practices.2. Not conforming to legality, moral law, or social convention: an irregular marriage.3. Not straight, uniform, or symmetrical: irregular facial features.4. Of uneven rate, occurrence, or duration: an irregular heartbeat.5. Deviating from a type; atypical.6. Botany Having differing floral parts, as of a zygomorphic or asymmetric flower.7. Falling below the manufacturer's standard or usual specifications; imperfect.8. Grammar Departing from the usual pattern of inflection, derivation, or word formation, as the present forms of the verb be or the plural noun children.9. Not belonging to a permanent, organized military force: irregular troops.n.1. One, such as an item of merchandise, that is irregular.2. A soldier, such as a guerrilla, who is not a member of a regular military force.American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language, Fifth Edition. Copyright 2016 by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company. Published by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company. All rights reserved. (rjl) adj1. lacking uniformity or symmetry; uneven in shape, position, arrangement, etc2. not occurring at expected or equal intervals: an irregular pulse. 3. differing from the normal or accepted practice or routine4. not according to established standards of behaviour; unconventional5. (Grammar) (of the formation, inflections, or derivations of a word) not following the usual pattern of formation in a language, as English plurals ending other than in -s or -es6. (Military) of or relating to guerrillas or volunteers not belonging to regular forces: irregular troops. 7. (Botany) (of flowers) having any of their parts, esp petals, differing in size, shape, etc; asymmetric8. (Commerce) US (of merchandise) not up to the manufacturer's standards or specifications; flawed; imperfectn9. (Military) a soldier not in a regular army10. (Commerce) (often plural) US imperfect or flawed merchandise. Compare second115Collins English Dictionary Complete and Unabridged, 12th Edition 2014 HarperCollins Publishers 1991, 1994, 1998, 2000, 2003, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2011, 2014 (rg y lr) adj. 1. lacking symmetry, even shape, formal arrangement, etc.: an irregular pattern. 2. variable in timing or rhythm; erratic: irregular intervals. 3. not conforming to established rules, etiquette, morality, etc. 4. not according to rule or to the accepted principle, method, course, order, etc. 5. not conforming to the prevalent pattern of formation, inflection, etc., in a language, as English verbs that do not form the past tense by adding -ed: the irregular verbs keep and see. 6. (formerly, of troops) not belonging to an organized group of established military forces. 7. flawed, damaged, or failing to meet a specific standard of manufacture: a sale of irregular shirts. 8. Bot. lacking uniformity, as a flower with petals of varied shapes. n. 9. a person or thing that is irregular. 10. a product or material that does not meet specifications or standards of the manufacturer, as one having imperfections in its pattern. 11. a combatant not of a regular military force, as a guerrilla. [13501400; < Middle English < Middle French < Late Latin] Random House Kernerman Webster's College Dictionary, 2010 K Dictionaries Ltd. Copyright 2005, 1997, 1991 by Random House, Inc. All rights reserved. Noun1.irregular - a member of an irregular armed force that fights a stronger force by sabotage and harassmentguerilla, guerrilla, insurgentMaquis, Maquisard - a guerrilla fighter in the French underground in World War IIurban guerrilla - a guerrilla who fights only in cities and townswarrior - someone engaged in or experienced in warfare2.irregular - merchandise that has imperfections; usually sold at a reduced price without the brand namemerchandise, product, ware - commodities offered for sale; "good business depends on having good merchandise"; "that store offers a variety of products"Adj.1.irregular - contrary to rule or accepted order or general practice; "irregular hiring practices"illegal - prohibited by law or by official or accepted rules; "an illegal chess move"unrhythmic, unrhythmical - not rhythmic; irregular in beat or accentrough, unsmooth - having or caused by an irregular surface; "trees with rough bark"; "rough ground"; "rough skin"; "rough blankets"; "his unsmooth face"unsteady - subject to change or variation; "her unsteady walk"; "his hand was unsteady as he poured the wine"; "an unsteady voice"asymmetric, asymmetrical - characterized by asymmetry in the spatial arrangement or placement of parts or componentsunsystematic - lacking systematic arrangement or method or organization; "unsystematic and fragmentary records"; "he works in an unsystematic manner"regular - in accordance with fixed order or procedure or principle; "his regular calls on his customers"; "regular meals"; "regular duties"2.irregular - not occurring at expected timessporadic - recurring in scattered and irregular or unpredictable instances; "a city subjected to sporadic bombing raids"3.irregular - (used of the military) not belonging to or engaged in by regular army forces; "irregular troops"; "irregular warfare"partisan, partizan - devoted to a cause or partyregular - (used of the military) belonging to or engaged in by legitimate army forces; "the regular army"4.irregular - (of solids) not having clear dimensions that can be measured; volume must be determined with the principle of liquid displacementregular - (of solids) having clear dimensions that can be measured; volume can be determined with a suitable geometric formula5.irregular - falling below the manufacturer's standard; "irregular jeans"imperfect - not perfect; defective or inadequate; "had only an imperfect understanding of his responsibilities"; "imperfect mortals"; "drainage here is imperfect"6.irregular - deviating from normal expectations; somewhat odd, strange, or abnormal; "these days large families are atypical"; "atypical clinical findings"; "atypical pneumonia"; "highly irregular behavior"abnormal, unnatural - not normal; not typical or usual or regular or conforming to a norm; "abnormal powers of concentration"; "abnormal amounts of rain"; "abnormal circumstances"; "an abnormal interest in food"7.irregular - lacking continuity or regularity; "an irregular worker"; "employed on a temporary basis"parttime, part-time - involving less than the standard or customary time for an activity; "part-time employees"; "a part-time job"8.irregular - (of a surface or shape); not level or flat or symmetrical; "walking was difficult on the irregular cobblestoned surface"uneven - not even or uniform as e.g. in shape or texture; "an uneven color"; "uneven ground"; "uneven margins"; "wood with an uneven grain"9.irregular - independent in behavior or thought; "she led a somewhat irregular private life"; "maverick politicians"unconventional - not conforming to accepted rules or standards; "her unconventional dress and hair style"Based on WordNet 3.0, Farlex clipart collection. 2003-2012 Princeton University, Farlex Inc.adjective1. variable, inconsistent, erratic, shifting, occasional, random, casual, shaky, wavering, uneven, fluctuating, eccentric, patchy, sporadic, intermittent, haphazard, unsteady, desultory, fitful, spasmodic, unsystematic, inconstant, nonuniform, unmethodical She was suffering from an irregular heartbeat. variable steady, reliable, systematic, methodical, punctual, invariable2. uneven, broken, rough, twisted, twisting, curving, pitted, ragged, crooked, unequal, jagged, bumpy, lumpy, serpentine, contorted, lopsided, craggy, indented, asymmetrical, serrated, holey, unsymmetrical He had bad teeth, irregular and discoloured. uneven even, regular, symmetrical, balanced, equal, smooth3. inappropriate, unconventional, improper, unethical, odd, unusual, extraordinary, disorderly, exceptional, peculiar, unofficial, abnormal, queer, rum (Brit. slang), back-door, unsuitable, unorthodox, out-of-order, unprofessional, anomalous The minister was accused of irregular business practices.4. unofficial, underground, guerrilla, volunteer, resistance, partisan, rogue, paramilitary, mercenary At least 17 irregular units are involved in the war. unconventional standard, conventional, regular, normal, usual, appropriate, proper, orthodoxCollins Thesaurus of the English Language Complete and Unabridged 2nd Edition. 2002 HarperCollins Publishers 1995, 2002adjective1. Not straight, uniform, or symmetrical:asymmetric, asymmetrical.The American Heritage Roget's Thesaurus. Copyright 2013, 2014 by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company. Published by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company. All rights reserved. nepravidelnneregulrnneuspodanuregelmssigureglementeretujvnunregelmigirregulrregellosjafnreglulegursem brtur bga vi lgirregolaresaltuarioeteroclitonelygiainereguliarumasnetaisyklingumasnedisciplintsnekrtgsnekrtnsneldzensneregulrsuregelmessigureglementertneenakomerennepravilenneredendzensizkurallara aykrkuralszusulszarpk [regjl]A. ADJ4. (Ling) [verb, adjective, noun] irregular5. (Mil) [soldiers, forces, troops] irregularB. N soldado mf irregularCollins Spanish Dictionary - Complete and Unabridged 8th Edition 2005 William Collins Sons & Co. Ltd. 1971, 1988 HarperCollins Publishers 1992, 1993, 1996, 1997, 2000, 2003, 2005Collins English/French Electronic Resource. 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Ltd. 1980 HarperCollins Publishers 1991, 1997, 1999, 2004, 2005, 2007 [rgjl] adj irregolareCollins Italian Dictionary 1st Edition HarperCollins Publishers 1995 (iregjul) adjective2. not formed smoothly or evenly. irregular handwriting. onrelmatige irregular neuspodan unregelmig ujvn irregular korrapratu epsnnllinen irrgulier neuredan egyenetlen tidak rata jafn irregolare nelygus neldzens; nevienmrgs tidak sekata onregelmatigujevn, uregelmessignierwny irregular nerovnak; nepravideln neenakomeren neujednaen oregelbunden, ojmn arpk khng theo hng li 3. contrary to rules. onrelmatig irregular neregulrn regellos ureglementeret inadmisible, irregular reeglite vastane sntjenvastainen irrgulier protupropisan szablytalan bertentangan dengan aturan sem brtur bga vi lg irregolare netaisyklingas nedisciplints; nekrtgs bertentangan dgn peraturan onregelmatiglovstridig, ureglementert nieprzepisowy irregular neregulamentar protiprvny nepravilen nepravilan oriktig, reglementsvidrig usulsz, kurallara aykr , khng chnh quy 4. 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All rights reserved. Want to thank TFD for its existence? Tell a friend about us, add a link to this page, or visit the webmaster's page for free fun content. Link to this page: Now, the irregular appearances of the star are not, strictly speaking, members of the system which is the star, according to our definition of matter.Square offspring has sometimes resulted from a slightly Irregular Triangle; but in almost every such case the Irregularity of the first generation is visited on the third; which either fails to attain the Pentagonal rank, or relapses to the Triangular.] Such a birth requires, as its antecedents, not only a series of carefully arranged intermarriages, but also a long, continued exercise of frugality and self-control on the part of the would-be ancestors of the coming Equilateral, and a patient, systematic, and continuous development of the Isosceles intellect through many generations.There exists a monition of the Bishop of Durham against irregular churchmen of this class, who associated themselves with Border robbers, and desecrated the holiest offices of the priestly function, by celebrating them for the benefit of thieves, robbers, and murderers, amongst ruins and in caverns of the earth, without regard to canonical form, and with torn and dirty attire, and maimed rites, altogether improper for the occasion."I knew how it would be; your irregular life will soon be the ruin of you."Good Heavens!" exclaimed the District Attorney, throwing down his note-book and pencil; "this is all quite irregular. I can't make use of such an ante-mortem statement as that."If a return can be obtained, no matter by what unlawful means, the irregular member, who takes his seat of course, is sure of holding it a sufficient time to answer his purposes.But for months afterward, at irregular intervals of a few days, the voice was heard by the several members of the family, and by others.Irwine; "it was a little bit of irregular justice on Mrs.This was after a year or two of the irregular and interrupted acquaintance with the author which has been my mode of friendship with all the authors I have loved.It is the assertion, the development, the product of those very different indispensable qualities of poetry, in the presence [8] of which the English is equal or superior to all other modern literature--the native, sublime, and beautiful, but often wild and irregular, imaginative power in English poetry from Chaucer to Shakespeare, with which Professor Minto deals, in his Characteristics of English Poets (Blackwood), lately reprinted.Here (though with other motives, and under other circumstances) was the mother's irregular marriage in Ireland, on the point of being followed by the daughter's irregular marriage in Scotland!It was then, as it is to-day, an irregular trapezoid, bordered on one side by the quay, and on the other three by a series of lofty, narrow, and gloomy houses. Irregular verbs are verbs that dont follow the regular -ed rule for past and past participle forms. Instead, they change unpredictably (e.g., go went gone). This list of 300 irregular verbs helps English learners build vocabulary and master verb forms for everyday speaking and writing. 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She has been a great teacher. They took the bus to school this morning. I ate pizza for lunch. He read the book last night. She wrote a letter to her friend. They sang songs at the concert. We have seen that movie before. He spoke loudly during the meeting. I bought a new phone yesterday. She found her keys in the kitchen. He drove to the office. They ran in the park. I chose the red shirt. She taught me how to cook. He gave me a gift for my birthday. They spent the whole day shopping. I caught the ball. She kept her promise. We have had enough time to prepare. They flew to Paris for vacation. He understood the problem very well. She broke the glass. I met him at the coffee shop. We had a great time at the party. They told us about the new movie. I made dinner for my family. She sat by the window. He lost his wallet at the mall. They showed us their new house. Examples Sentences of Using Irregular Verbs to improve understanding Why do some verbs become irregular in English? Many irregular verbs come from Old English and have evolved over centuries. They dont follow the typical ed ending because they preserve older language patterns. What are common irregular verbs in English? Common irregular verbs in English include be, have, go, do, make, take, come, see, get, and give. What are irregular verbs and examples? Irregular verbs are verbs that dont follow the usual -ed rule for past tense. Instead, their forms change completely, like go went, or eat ate. These verbs are commonly used and must be memorized. What are 300 irregular verbs list in English? Go Went GoneEat Ate EatenTake Took TakenSee Saw SeenGive Gave GivenCome Came ComeSpeak Spoke SpokenWrite Wrote WrittenBegin Began BegunBreak Broke Broken.. You May Also Like Irregular verbs are verbs that do not follow the normal pattern of conjugation to express tenses and past participles.Unlike regular verbs, which take on their simple past tense and past participle forms by adding -ed or -d to their base, irregular verbs are conjugated in many unpredictable ways.While most irregular verbs are irregular only in their simple past and past participle forms, a few are irregular in other conjugations.Some irregular verbs dont change form at all when conjugated.Irregular verbs are among the most confusing aspects of language because they follow no set formula and require memorization. While most languages have some irregular verbs, English has more than many. Below, well share a list of common irregular verbs and their verb forms to help explain what they are and how they work. The AI writing assistant for anyone with work to do Table of contentsWhat are irregular verbs?List of common irregular verbsCommon irregular verbs that dont change formCommon mistakes to avoid with irregular verbsIrregular verb FAQsWhat are irregular verbs?Irregular verbs are verbs that follow their own rules about how they change form. There are around 200 of them in regular use in English, and that group includes samples from pretty much all the other categories that verbs can be sorted into, including: Specifically, whereas regular verbs follow the standard conjugation rules for how they change endings to show tenses and form past participles, irregular verbs change form in much less predictable ways.Their unpredictability makes it necessary to commit their irregular forms to memory or look them up in a dictionary.Conjugating regular vs. irregular verbsThe simplest way to understand the difference between regular and irregular verb conjugation is to look at an example of the simple past and past participle forms of each (these are the only forms in which the vast majority of irregular verbs are irregular).Here, well compare to play and to sing. To play is regular, while to sing is irregular. This means that you can take any of the conjugations of to play and confidently apply their endings to any of the thousands of other regular verbs in English. But you cant automatically apply the conjugations of to sing to any other verbnot even a rhyming irregular verb like to swing that matches up in some of them.To conjugate to play in the simple past and to form its past participle, you simply add -ed:Base: playSimple past tense/Past participle: playedTo sing doesnt follow the same pattern, because it is irregularsinged is not the simple past/past participle form. Instead, sing has both a unique past tense and a unique past participle form. The only way to know how to conjugate sing is to memorize or look up its special forms.Base: singSimple past tense: sangParticiple: sungIn practice, you end up with conjugations like these: We sang and played instruments all night. I have sung in a choir before, but I have never played in an orchestra. She prefers music sung by professionals.Irregular verbs with irregular present tense formsNearly all irregular verbs are irregular only in their simple past tense and participle forms, as we saw above. However, there are a handful that have special present tense forms as well, most notably to be, to have, to do, and to go. Here are the forms for those four verbs:Base: bePresent: am, is, areSimple past: was, werePast participle: beenBase: havePresent: have, hasSimple past/Past participle: hadBase: doPresent: do/doesSimple past: didPast participle: doneBase: goPresent: go/goesSimple past: wentPast participle: goneWant to make sure your writing shines? Grammarly can check your spelling and save you from verb conjugation and punctuation mistakes. It even proofreads your text, so your work is extra polished wherever you write. List of common irregular verbsBelow, we list the most common irregular verbs, to provide a quick reference in case you forget one. (Note that the past tense verbs in the chart below are shown in American English forms; there are some differences in British English.)Instead of listing the irregular verbs in each of their verb tenses, the table lists only the simple past tense and past participle forms, along with the base, as those are the only irregular conjugations for all but a few of these verbs (you can consult the previous section for the irregular simple present tense forms of those few exceptions).Please note that irregular verbs formed by adding a prefix to an irregular base verb (e.g., resell or undo) use the same irregular forms as their base words (e.g., resold or undid).Also, youll notice in this table that some irregular verbs dont change at allthe base, simple past tense, and past participle forms are all the same word. We discuss this type of irregular verb in the next section.Common irregular verbs that dont changeMost verbs, both regular and irregular, have different verb forms for different tenses. However, certain verbs dont change forms at all. They use the same word and the same spelling for their simple present, simple past, and past participle forms. Because these words dont follow the normal rules, theyre also considered irregular.You can find some of these words in the table above, but to speed up your search, weve also included them in the list below:betbidbroadcastburstcastcostcuthithurtletproofread (see read)putread (simple past and past participle are spelled the same but pronounced differently)resetsetshedshutsplitspreadthrustupsetwet Common mistakes to avoid with irregular verbsBecause using irregular verbs correctly requires memorization, there are some traps its easy to fall into, thinking the way youve memorized is correct when its not.One of the most common errors people make with irregular verbs is forgetting when the simple past doesnt match the past participle (because it so often does):Past: I drank plenty of water.Past participle: I thought I had drunk enough. (not had drank)Past: The cat sprang out of hiding.Past participle: The cat had sprung out of hiding. (not had sprang)Its also easy to incorrectly form a past participle based on a pattern some other irregular verbs follow: bought, not boughten.Remember, irregular verbs are unpredictable, and memorizing them can be tough, but the dictionary is your friend.Irregular verbs FAQsWhat is an irregular verb?An irregular verb is a verb that does not follow the standard pattern for conjugation. Unlike regular verbs, which add -ed or -d to form the past tense and past participle, irregular verbs have unique forms that must be memorized or looked up.Whats the difference between regular and irregular verbs?Regular verbs follow predictable conjugation patterns by adding -ed or -d to the base form to create the past tense and past participle. Irregular verbs, on the other hand, deviate from this rule and have unique conjugations, such as to go (past: went) or to eat (past: ate).How many irregular verbs are there in English?There are over 200 commonly used irregular verbs in English. Some, like to go and to be, are essential for everyday conversation, while others are less frequently used.Why are irregular verbs difficult to learn?Irregular verbs can be challenging because they dont follow consistent patterns. They have many unique past tense and past participle forms, requiring memorization and referencing a dictionary. Additionally, some verbs dont change forms at all, which can cause confusion.What are some examples of irregular verbs that dont change form?Certain irregular verbs remain the same in their base, past tense, and past participle forms. Examples include cut, set, put, and spread. While their conjugation is straightforward, their unchanged forms can sometimes be misread or mistaken for errors in context. adjective jump to other results not arranged in an even way; not having an even, smooth pattern or shape synonym unevenirregular teethan irregular outline opposite regularExtra ExamplesThe cells are slightly irregular in shape.This stuff's great for renovating uneven, irregular surfaces.Oxford Collocations DictionaryverbsadverbSee full entry not happening at times that are at an equal distance from each other; not happening regularlyA combination of irregular meals and insufficient sleep was to blame.an irregular heartbeatirregular attendance at schoolHe visited his parents at irregular intervals.Oxford Collocations DictionaryverbsadverbSee full entry not according to the usual rules synonym abnormalsome somewhat irregular business practicesIt is highly irregular for an elected representative to hold such a post.procedurally/constitutionally irregularTopics Languagea2Oxford Collocations DictionaryverbsadverbSee full entry (grammar) not formed in the normal way opposite regular (of a soldier, etc.) not part of a countrys official army opposite regular Word Originlate Middle English (in the sense not conforming to rule (especially that of the Church)): via Old French from medieval Latin irregularis, from in- not + regularis (from regula rule).See irregular in the Oxford Advanced American DictionarySee irregular in the Oxford Learner's Dictionary of Academic English

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