

Regular Verbs and Verb Tenses

A verb is a word that shows action.

Present tense verbs tell about something that is happening now.

**Present:** I **help** my family with household chores.

Past tense verbs tell about something that has already happened.

**Past:** Yesterday, I **helped** my brother clean his room.

Future tense verbs tell about something that will happen at a later time.

**Future:** I **will help** my sister set the table tonight.

Choose the correct tense of the verb *board*, *release*, or *welcome* to complete each sentence. Write the verb on the line.

board	boarded	will board
release	released	will release
welcome	welcomed	will welcome

1. We \_\_\_\_\_ the plane over an hour ago.
2. The band \_\_\_\_\_ their first song next year.
3. Please \_\_\_\_\_ José to our class.
4. My neighbors \_\_\_\_\_ a new baby in a few months.
5. I \_\_\_\_\_ the dogs from their leashes when we got home.
6. We \_\_\_\_\_ the bus at the next corner.

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Regular past tense verbs end in **-ed**, but the rules on how this ending to the verb differ, depending on how the verb is spelled.

For most regular verbs, add <b>-ed</b> .	spill + <b>ed</b>	spilled
If a verb ends in <b>-e</b> , just add <b>-d</b> .	advance + <b>d</b>	advanced
If a verb ends in a vowel and a single consonant, double the consonant and add <b>-ed</b> .	stop + <b>p</b> + <b>ed</b>	stopped
If a verb ends in a consonant and <b>-y</b> , change the <b>-y</b> to <b>-i</b> and add <b>-ed</b> .	marry marri + <b>ed</b>	married

Write the past tense form of the verb in ( ) on the line.

1. Yesterday, Tomas and I (watch)\_\_\_\_\_ a great movie.
2. The baby (cry) \_\_\_\_\_ because she was hungry.
3. Were you (invite)\_\_\_\_\_ to your uncle’s wedding?
4. I (spot) \_\_\_\_\_ my friends in the crowd.
5. Thomas Edison (invent) \_\_\_\_\_ many useful things.
6. It was such a warm day that we (decide) \_\_\_\_\_ to walk home.
7. I am not (allow) \_\_\_\_\_ to go to the city by myself.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**Write the correct spelling word for each clue.**

1. Someone who always looks in the mirror is this. \_\_\_\_\_
2. This is the opposite of **lowered**. \_\_\_\_\_
3. The candidate who won was this by more voters. \_\_\_\_\_
4. This is another word for **simple**. \_\_\_\_\_
5. You do this with clothes when you sort them for washing. \_\_\_\_\_
6. Moved from side to side \_\_\_\_\_
7. It means "turned into." \_\_\_\_\_
8. Your teacher did this to help you understand something.  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Write the spelling word that completes each analogy.**

9. **Flavored** is to **tasty** as **unflavored** is to \_\_\_\_\_.
10. **Humble** is to **modest** as **conceited** is to \_\_\_\_\_.

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**Write the spelling words for the given sound-spelling pattern.**

**Spelling words with long a spelled a\_e**

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

**Spelling words with long a spelled ai**

3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_

**Spelling word with long a spelled ay**

7. \_\_\_\_\_

**Spelling word with long a spelled a**

8. \_\_\_\_\_