Shakespeare's secret word

Irregular verbs (past simple) · Year 5–7 · ±10 min · Medium

Name: ..... Date: .....



Today you learn: You know the past simple of common irregular verbs, and you use the right form after have, has and had.

Remember

Regular verbs add **-ed** (walk → walked; stop → stopped; carry → carried).

Irregular verbs have their own past form, which you learn by heart: go → went, see → saw, eat → ate. Many irregular verbs have a different form again after have, has or had (the **past participle**): I went → I have gone, I saw → I have seen, I did → I have done, I wrote → I have written.

So: I **saw** it, never I seen it; we have **gone**, never we have went.

EXAMPLE

Yesterday I saw a fox. I have never seen one so close!

1 Medium

Draw a line from each verb to its past simple form.

go ○	○ thought
see ○	○ went
eat ○	○ ate
buy ○	○ brought
write ○	○ swam
swim ○	○ wrote
think ○	○ bought
bring ○	○ saw

2 Medium

I ___ that film last week.

○ seed (P) ○ seen (D) ○ saw (H)

3 Medium

We ___ all our homework before tea.

◯ doed (L) ◯ done (F) ◯ did (A)

4 Medium

I ___ my packed lunch from home today.

◯ bought (N) ◯ brung (D) ◯ brought (M)

5 Medium

Mum ___ me new trainers at the shop.

◯ bought (L) ◯ brought (F) ◯ brang (X)

6 Medium

Shakespeare's company ___ the Globe in London in 1599.

◯ build (V) ◯ builded (K) ◯ built (E)

7 Medium

The school bell ___ at three o'clock yesterday.

◯ ringed (Z) ◯ rang (T) ◯ rung (M)

8 Medium

Put it in the past: I catch the bus.

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9 Medium

Correct the mistake: She has wrote three stories this term.

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10 Medium

Correct the mistake: We should have went home earlier.

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The secret word

Write the letter of each right answer in the box with the same number.

2	3	4	5	6	7

How did it go? ☹ 😐 🙂

✂ ---------- Stuck? Turn the sheet round and read the tip for your number. ----------

Help card

1. Bought, thought and brought look alike. Say the verb and the past form out loud together.

2. Is there a have or has in front of the gap? If not, use the plain past form.

3. No have or has here. Which form stands on its own: I ___ it?

4. Did you carry it with you, or pay for it? Bring and buy look alike in the past, so check the match above.

5. This time money changes hands. Which verb is about paying?

6. Its past form ends in -t, like spend → spent.

7. It works like sing → sang and swim → swam. The form with u needs has or have.

8. The verb rhymes with taught.

9. After has, use the past participle. Look at the box at the top.

10. There is a have in the sentence. Which form of go comes after have?

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Answers: Shakespeare's secret word

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Check it together. When something is wrong, first ask: how did you work that out? Give the tip before the answer.

1. go – went · see – saw · eat – ate · buy – bought · write – wrote · swim – swam · think – thought · bring – brought
   Tip: Bought, thought and brought look alike. Say the verb and the past form out loud together.
2. saw
   Tip: Is there a have or has in front of the gap? If not, use the plain past form.
3. did
   Tip: No have or has here. Which form stands on its own: I ___ it?
4. brought
   Tip: Did you carry it with you, or pay for it? Bring and buy look alike in the past, so check the match above.
5. bought
   Tip: This time money changes hands. Which verb is about paying?
6. built
   Tip: Its past form ends in -t, like spend → spent.
7. rang
   Tip: It works like sing → sang and swim → swam. The form with u needs has or have.
8. I caught the bus.
   Tip: The verb rhymes with taught.
9. She has written three stories this term.
   Tip: After has, use the past participle. Look at the box at the top.
10. We should have gone home earlier.
    Tip: There is a have in the sentence. Which form of go comes after have?

The secret word: H A M L E T

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