

# Principal Parts of Irregular Verbs

Usually you add *-ed* to a verb to show past tense. **Irregular verbs** do not follow this rule. Instead of having *-ed* forms to show past tense, irregular verbs usually change to other words.

<b>Present Tense</b>	We <u>see</u> a model dinosaur.
<b>Present Participle</b>	We <u>are seeing</u> a model dinosaur.
<b>Past Tense</b>	We <u>saw</u> a model dinosaur.
<b>Past Participle</b>	We <u>have seen</u> a model dinosaur.

Present Tense	Present Participle	Past Tense	Past Participle
become	( <i>am, is, are</i> ) becoming	became	( <i>has, have, had</i> ) become
begin	( <i>am, is, are</i> ) beginning	began	( <i>has, have, had</i> ) begun
buy	( <i>am, is, are</i> ) buying	bought	( <i>has, have, had</i> ) bought
do	( <i>am, is, are</i> ) doing	did	( <i>has, have, had</i> ) done
freeze	( <i>am, is, are</i> ) freezing	froze	( <i>has, have, had</i> ) frozen
go	( <i>am, is, are</i> ) going	went	( <i>has, have, had</i> ) gone
am/is/are	( <i>am, is, are</i> ) being	was/were	( <i>has, have, had</i> ) been
know	( <i>am, is, are</i> ) knowing	knew	( <i>has, have, had</i> ) known
make	( <i>am, is, are</i> ) making	made	( <i>has, have, had</i> ) made
see	( <i>am, is, are</i> ) seeing	saw	( <i>has, have, had</i> ) seen
think	( <i>am, is, are</i> ) thinking	thought	( <i>has, have, had</i> ) thought
write	( <i>am, is, are</i> ) writing	wrote	( <i>has, have, had</i> ) written

**Directions** Write *present, present participle, past, or past participle* to identify the principal part of the underlined verb.

1. We are seeing enormous models of *T. rex*.
2. Have you thought much about these fierce animals?
3. The models freeze them in time and space.
4. Suddenly, the models began moving!
5. My cousins buy a small model.
6. They have become dinosaur fans.

present participle  
past participle  
present  
past  
present  
past participle

**Directions** Write the sentence using the principal part of the underlined verb indicated in ( ).

7. Dinosaurs are popular with children for years. (past participle)

Dinosaurs have been popular with children for years.

8. Many children make dinosaur models. (past participle)

Many children have made dinosaur models.