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Worksheet: Past Tense Conjugations In English

For each verb in the list, think about the **present tense** form and how it changes to make the **past tense** form.

Step 1. Write the past tense form next to each word.

Examples: To act → I acted
To buy → I bought
To run → I ran

to act	to fall	to pay	to swim
to appear	to finish	to play	to take
to apply	to fold	to pop	to talk
to be	to forget	to put	to teach
to begin	to forgive	to read	to tell
to buy	to get	to rest	to text
to call	to give	to return	to think
to catch	to go	to ride	to throw
to clean	to grow	to rise	to type
to climb	to hear	to run	to understand
to close	to hang	to say	to use
to compete	to laugh	to search	to wake
to cook	to lay	to see	to walk
to curl	to learn	to sell	to want
to cut	to leave	to send	to wash
to dance	to lie	to sing	to wear
to decide	to listen	to sit	to wear
to die	to live	to sleep	to win
to dive	to lose	to speak	to wish
to do	to make	to spend	to work
to drink	to open	to spill	to write
to drive	to paint	to split	
to eat	to pass	to start	
to fail		to sweep	

Step 2. Then, assign a group number to each word. Every time you find a **new pattern**, make a **new group**.

GROUPS: Verbs that conjugate like ACT are Group 1, verbs that conjugate like BUY are Group 2, etc.

List the rule for each group below with an example verb. You decide how many groups there are.

1. Rule: Add **-ed** to the infinitive (Example: act → acted)
2. Rule: Add **-ought** to the stem (Example: buy → bought)
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.