

Irregular Verbs – exercises A-D (KEY)

In each of the sentences below a verb form is missing. Fill in the correct one in each blank to make the sentence complete. In some exercises the same verb may occur more than once.

A. Verbs similar to put

1. What time did you start from the farm? – We **set** off at 7.
2. Why did Mary look so cross? – John had **hurt** her feelings.
3. What was the price of your new camera? – It **cost** £40.
4. Why had he got a black eye (blått öga)? – Someone must have **hit** him.
5. The concert was **broadcast** by the BBC in London.
6. She **burst** out laughing when she saw how funny he looked.
7. Please keep the door **shut**!

B. Verbs similar to learn

1. There should be only one 'r' in very. You have **spelt** it with two.
2. Why are Pam's children so naughty? – She has **spoilt** them.

C. Verbs similar to spend and read

1. Was it a big loan Ian got from you? – I **lent** him £500.
2. My father was a carpenter (snickare). He **built** our house.
3. Where did Pat live as a boy? – He was born and **bred** in Ireland.
4. I hope you didn't forget the chickens. – No, I **fed** them all right.
5. Did that clue (ledtråd) help you? – Yes, it **led** to a perfect solution.

D. Verbs similar to sleep

1. Why did Anne have to pay a fine at the library? – She had **kept** some books too long.
2. Did Fred hurt her on purpose? – No, he **meant** probably no harm at all.
3. Was that their first meeting? – Yes, they had never **met** before.