Irregular Verbs — Worksheet

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Choose the correct option (a–d) for each gap or question. Check yourself with the answer key on the last page.

1. Last night I _____ for nine hours, so today I feel great.
   a) sleeped b) sleep c) have slept d) slept

2. My brother _____ a second-hand bike from a neighbour two weeks ago.
   a) buyed b) buy c) bought d) has bought

3. Yesterday she _____ the cake into eight pieces for the children.
   a) cutted b) cuts c) has cut d) cut

4. I _____ my back when I lifted that heavy box yesterday.
   a) hurted b) hurt c) hurts d) have hurt

5. We _____ to the coast by train last weekend.
   a) went b) goed c) gone d) have gone

6. The children _____ all the orange juice at breakfast yesterday.
   a) drunk b) drank c) drinked d) have drunk

7. She has _____ to the manager about the noise three times.
   a) wrote b) writed c) write d) written

8. My aunt has _____ English at the same school for thirty years.
   a) taught b) teached c) teach d) teaching

9. I have never _____ in the sea — only in swimming pools.
   a) swam b) swimmed c) swum d) swim

10. Two windows were _____ in the storm last night.
    a) broke b) broken c) breaked d) break

11. I _____ my old school friend at the station two days ago.
    a) saw b) seen c) have seen d) see

12. He has _____ the same old car since 2012.
    a) drove b) drived c) driven d) drive

13. We _____ a cake for Dad's birthday last Sunday.
    a) maked b) make c) have made d) made

14. Did you _____ your keys in the end? You lost them on Monday.
    a) found b) finded c) find d) founded

15. When we arrived, the film had already _____, so we missed the start.

a) began b) begun c) beginned d) begin

16. She _____ a song at her sister's wedding last summer.

a) sung b) has sung c) sang d) sings

17. The pilot has _____ more than a million kilometres in her career.

a) flew b) flied c) fly d) flown

18. Every student was _____ a certificate at the end of the course.

a) given b) gave c) gived d) give

19. When I was ten, my father _____ me to the mountains for the first time.

a) taken b) took c) taked d) has taken

20. I haven't _____ meat since I was fifteen.

a) eaten b) ate c) eat d) eated

21. I _____ that film in 2019, and I have _____ it twice since then.

a) seen … saw b) saw … seen c) saw … saw d) seen … seen

22. Someone _____ my bike last night. It was _____ from outside the library.

a) stole … stolen b) stolen … stole c) stole … stole d) stealed … stolen

23. Tom _____ his first marathon in 2020, and since then he has _____ five more.

a) run … ran b) ran … ran c) ran … run d) runned … run

24. I _____ to Lisa an hour ago, but I haven't _____ to her brother yet.

a) spoken … spoke b) spoke … spoke c) speaked … spoken d) spoke … spoken

25. The phone _____ at eight, but by then I had already _____ to bed.

a) rang … gone b) rung … went c) rang … went d) rung … gone

26. Which sentence is correct?

a) She teached me to play the guitar when I was eight.
b) She taught me to play the guitar when I was eight.
c) She has taught me to play the guitar when I was eight.
d) She taughted me to play the guitar when I was eight.

27. Which sentence is correct?

a) Somebody has broke the lock on the back door.
b) Somebody has broked the lock on the back door.
c) Somebody has breaked the lock on the back door.
d) Somebody has broken the lock on the back door.

28. Which sentence is correct?

a) I thought about your idea all weekend, and I like it.
b) I thinked about your idea all weekend, and I like it.
c) I have thinked about your idea all weekend, and I like it.
d) I thoughted about your idea all weekend, and I like it.

29. Which question is correct?

a) Have you chose a present for Anna's birthday?
b) Have you choosed a present for Anna's birthday?
c) Have you chosen a present for Anna's birthday?
d) Did you chosen a present for Anna's birthday?

30. Which sentence is correct?

a) Last year we goed to Norway and buyed lots of souvenirs.
b) Last year we went to Norway and bought lots of souvenirs.
c) Last year we have gone to Norway and bought lots of souvenirs.
d) Last year we went to Norway and buyed lots of souvenirs.

Answer Key

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1. d) slept

Last night is a finished time, so the past simple: sleep – slept – slept.

2. c) bought

Two weeks ago needs the past simple: buy – bought – bought.

3. d) cut

Cut keeps one form for all three: cut – cut – cut.

4. b) hurt

Yesterday is a finished time, so the past simple, and hurt keeps one form: hurt – hurt – hurt.

5. a) went

Last weekend is finished, so the past simple went.

6. b) drank

Yesterday asks for the past simple: drink – drank – drunk.

7. d) written

After has comes the third form: write – wrote – written.

8. a) taught

After has comes the participle: teach – taught – taught.

9. c) swum

After have comes the third form: swim – swam – swum.

10. b) broken

The passive is be + the participle: break – broke – broken, so were broken.

11. a) saw

Two days ago is a finished time, so the past simple saw.

12. c) driven

Since 2012 runs up to now, and has is already there, so the participle: drive – drove – driven.

13. d) made

Last Sunday is a finished time, so the past simple: make – made – made.

14. c) find

After did the verb goes back to the base form: Did you find…?

15. b) begun

Had + the participle makes the past perfect: begin – began – begun.

16. c) sang

Last summer is finished, so the past simple: sing – sang – sung.

17. d) flown

After has comes the participle: fly – flew – flown.

18. a) given

The passive takes be + the participle: give – gave – given, so was given.

19. b) took

When I was ten names a finished time, so the past simple: take – took – taken.

20. a) eaten

After haven't comes the participle: eat – ate – eaten.

21. b) saw … seen

In 2019 is finished, so the past simple saw; after have comes the participle seen.

22. a) stole … stolen

Last night needs the past simple stole; the passive was + participle needs stolen (steal – stole – stolen).

23. c) ran … run

In 2020 is finished, so the past simple ran; after has the participle is run again: run – ran – run.

24. d) spoke … spoken

An hour ago takes the past simple spoke; after haven't comes the participle spoken (speak – spoke – spoken).

25. a) rang … gone

At eight is a finished time, so the past simple rang (ring – rang – rung); after had comes the participle gone.

26. b) She taught me to play the guitar when I was eight.

Teach is irregular: teach – taught – taught.

27. d) Somebody has broken the lock on the back door.

After has comes the participle: break – broke – broken.

28. a) I thought about your idea all weekend, and I like it.

Think is irregular: think – thought – thought, for the past simple and the participle alike.

29. c) Have you chosen a present for Anna's birthday?

After have comes the participle: choose – chose – chosen.

30. b) Last year we went to Norway and bought lots of souvenirs.

Last year is a finished time, so both verbs take the past simple: went and bought.