

# Participles

## Fun Activity

Complete the missing verbs.

Verb	Present Tense	Past Tense	Present Continuous
write	<i>I write</i>	<i>I wrote</i>	<i>I am writing</i>
fight	.....	.....	.....
bend	.....	.....	.....
hear	.....	.....	.....

A **participle** is a form of a verb.

There are two types of participles: the **present participle** and the **past participle**.

(i) The **present participle** is the /ing/ form of a verb.

*I am writing* a poem. (verb: write + **ing**)

The boys *are laughing*. (verb: laugh + **ing**)

He *is sleeping*. (verb: sleep + **ing**)

*writing, laughing* and *sleeping* need the helping verbs **am, are** and **is**.

That is because they are participles.

(ii) The **past participle** of *regular* verbs end in /ed/ as in the past tense.

*I have finished* my work.

He *has boiled* the milk.

(iii) The past participle of *irregular* verbs have different endings. (*Irregular* verbs do not change their tense the usual way, ending in /ed/)

Rani *has drawn* a picture.

Mother *had cut* the vegetables.

*finished, boiled, drawn* and *cut* need the helping verbs: **have, has** and **had**. That is because they are participles.



### Learn the Pattern

A participle always requires a helping verb like: **is, am, are, has, have, etc.**



**Remember:** The participle *always* requires a helping verb.

Learn the past tense and the past participle of the following verbs given in the first column.

Present Tense	Past Tense	Past Participle
catch	caught	caught
dream	dreamt	dreamt
build	built	built
spoil	spoilt	spoilt
buy	bought	bought
sleep	slept	slept
bring	brought	brought
shoot	shot	shot
pay	paid	paid
run	ran	ran

Few verbs *change completely* in the past tense form. They form the past participle by adding /n/ to the simple form of the verb.

Present Tense	Past Tense	Past Participle
throw	threw	thrown
grow	grew	grown
blow	blew	blown
drive	drove	driven
draw	drew	drawn
take	took	taken
arise	arose	arisen
fall	fell	fallen
freeze	froze	frozen
see	saw	seen

The following verbs do not change their form at all.

Present Tense	Past Tense	Past Participle
cut	cut	cut
hit	hit	hit
hurt	hurt	hurt



put	put	put
shut	shut	shut
spread	spread	spread



Complete the table.

Present Tense	Past Tense	Past Participle
1. work	.....	.....
2. open	.....	.....
3. ....	build	.....
4. ....	.....	bought
5. blow	.....	.....
6. ....	took	.....
7. ....	.....	seen
8. freeze	.....	.....
9. ....	hurt	.....
10. ....	.....	shut
11. spread	.....	.....
12. ....	put	.....
13. ....	.....	throw
14. ....	hit	.....
15. ....	.....	drawn

Learn these *helping verbs*:

<i>is</i>	<i>am</i>	<i>are</i>	<i>has</i>	<i>has been</i>	<i>have</i>	<i>have been</i>
<i>was</i>	<i>were</i>	<i>had</i>	<i>had been</i>	<i>do</i>	<i>does</i>	<i>did</i>



Fill in the blanks with the **present participle** of the verbs given in brackets. The *helping verbs* have been underlined.

- I am ..... for the school bus. (wait)
- She is ..... in the kitchen. (cook)
- Help! She is ..... badly. (bleed)
- We are ..... the fish cutlets. (fry)
- Ted and I have been ..... (study)
- Raman has been ..... you for an hour. (call)





Fill in the blanks with the past participle of the verb given in brackets. Use the helping verbs: was, were, had, had been

- The rider ..... by his horse. (throw)  
*The rider was **thrown** by his horse.*
- I ..... a sunrise. (draw)
- We ..... by his sudden visit. (surprise)
- The answers ..... neatly. (write)
- Fanny ..... us many times. (visit)
- I ..... television when Auntie came. (watch)

### Language in use - oral

#### Sentence making

Make sentences of your own with these groups of words from this chapter.

*was thrown    am waiting for    has fallen    was injured*

Read aloud the beginning of each of these sentences and complete it beginning with the word/so/.

- I am so .....
- Ten guests are coming for dinner. There is so .....
- I have eaten so .....
- It was so .....
- He spoke so .....



Look at the two pictures. Speak five to seven sentences about the differences between the two.

