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Read these sentences.

The ant collected lots of seeds.
The grasshopper played all day.

The action words –collected and played have –ed added to them.
They show that the actions happened in the past, not now.

When we talk of actions which happened in the past, we use '-ed' with some of the action words.



Some Simple Rules

- In some cases, when the action word ends with a ‘y’ then the spelling changes. Example, ‘cry’ becomes ‘cried’, ‘fry’ becomes ‘fried’

- In some cases, when the word ends with a consonant, the spelling changes. The final letter is doubled.
  Example, ‘rub’ becomes ‘rubbed’, ‘stop’ becomes ‘stopped’

- When the action word ends with a ‘e’, then we just add ‘d’.
  Example, ‘dance’ become ‘danced’, ‘bore’ becomes ‘bored’

- In most cases, when the word ends with ‘l’, the ‘l’ is doubled. Example, ‘travel’ becomes ‘travelled’



Try and Learn

Read these sentences. Look for the ‘-ed’ words.





1. I opened the book.
2. We waited for Maya.
3. My mother cooked pulao today.
4. The man sowed some wheat seeds.
5. It rained heavily yesterday.

Try and Learn

Add ‘-ed’ to the words and read them aloud.

stay	jump	attack	clean	move
brush	end	listen	sow	climb
walk	ask	tie	dance	fold
smile	follow	work	dry	laugh

