

Verbs Ending in -ED

How to pronounce the -ed sound

Rule #1: If the stem of the verb ends in **-T** or **-D**, pronounce the **-ED**.

Verb stems ending in -T:

started = start + **ted**

parted = part + **ted**

greeted = greet + **ted**

Verb stems ending in -D:

paded = pad + **ded**

lended = lend + **ded**

headed = head + **ded**

Rule #2: If the stem of the verb ends in **any other letter**, use the sound "**tuh**" instead of the "**ed**" sound.

tracked = trackt

He tracked the data.

centered = centert

The chair was centered at the table.

tapped = tappt

He tapped his pen on the desk.

outlined = outlint

She outlined the chapter.

moved = movt

He moved his car to the other side of the street.

blocked = blockt

The car blocked the street.

discussed = discuss

The class discussed the topic.

changed = changt

The teacher changed the assignment.

encouraged = encouragt

My mother encouraged me to learn English.

asked = askt

I asked a question about the homework.

picked = pikt

He picked up his mat