# The pronunciation of "-ed"

## I) Pronounced /t/.

Used when the verb ends with voiceless sounds: /p/, /k/, /f/, /s/, /ʃ/ (sh), /tʃ/ (ch).

| Verb | Past tense | IPA |
| --- | --- | --- |
| help | helped | /helpt/ |
| kiss | kissed | /kɪst/ |
| wash | washed | /wɒʃt/ |
| laugh | laughed | /læft/ |
| cook | cooked | /kʊkt/ |

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## II) Pronounced /d/ .

**Used when the verb ends with voiced sounds: /b/, /g/, /v/, /z/, /m/, /n/, /l/, /r/, vowels.**

| Verb | Past tense | IPA |
|------|-----------|-----|
| play | played | /pleɪd/ |
| call | called | /kɔːld/ |
| clean | cleaned | /kliːnd/ |
| love | loved | /lʌvd/ |
| beg | begged | /bɛgd/ |

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## II) Pronounced /ɪd/ (or /əd/)

**Used when the verb ends with /t/ or /d/.**

| Verb | Past tense | IPA |
|------|------------|-----|
| want | wanted | /ˈwɒntɪd/ |
| need | needed | /ˈniːdɪd/ |
| decide | decided | /dɪˈsaɪdɪd/ |
| start | started | /ˈstɑːtɪd/ |
| add | added | /ˈædɪd/ |

# Practice the good sound of "-ed".

Here is a list of verbs. For each one, identify the correct pronunciation of the ending *-ed*: /t/, /d/, or /ɪd/ (=/əd/)."

Helped, happened, looked, washed, kissed, fixed, cooked, needed, used, danced, laughed, visited, invited, decided, stopped, waited, dropped, pulled, allowed, collected, played, called, cleaned, loved, started, rained, admitted, wanted, completed.