QT-ESL No. 54 Pronouncing Verbs in Simple Past - Chart

*With **regular verbs** (ending with a **voiced consonant except <d>** or with –er, -are, or -air) the simple past is pronounced /**d**/.*

Be**lieve** → be**lieved** (ed=/d/)	Live → lived (ed=/d/)	Pre**pare**→ pre**pared** (ed=/d/)
Call → called (ed=/d/)	Mail → mailed (ed=/d/)	Pull → pulled (ed=/d/)
Clean → cleaned (ed=/d/)	**Of**fer →**of**fered (ed=/d/)	Re**pair** → re**paired** (ed=/d/)
De**liver** → de**liver**ed (ed=/d/)	**Or**der → **or**dered (ed=/d/)	Save → saved (ed=/d/)
Free → freed (ed=/d/)	**Or**ganize → **or**ganized (ed=/d/)	**Sche**dule→ **sche**duled (ed=/d/)
Im**prove**→ im**proved** (ed=/d/)	Plan → planned → (ed=/d/)	Sign → signed (ed=/d/)

*With **regular verbs** (ending in **unvoiced consonants—except <t>**) the simple past is pronounced /**t**/.*

Ask → asked (ed=/t/)	Look → looked (ed=/t/)	Talk → talked (ed=/t/)
Cough → coughed (ed=/t/)	Miss → missed (ed=/t/)	Type → typed (ed=/t/)
Dance → danced (ed=/t/)	Pro**duce** → pr**oduced** (ed=/t/)	Walk → walked (ed=/t/)
Dress → dressed (ed=/t/)	Push → pushed (ed=/t/)	Wash → washed (ed=/t/)
Drop → dropped (ed=/t/)	**Pur**chase → **pur**chased (ed=/t/)	Watch → watched (ed=/t/)
Finish → **fi**nished (ed=/t/)	Reach → reached (ed=/t/)	Work → worked (ed=/t/)
Help → helped (ed=/t/)	Stop → stopped (ed=/t/)	
Hope → hoped (ed=/t/)	Switch→ switch (ed=/t/)	

*With **regular verbs** ending in <y> **changed to <i> except for "stay", "play" and "pray",** the simple past is pronounced /**d**/.*

Carry → carried (ed=/d/)	Marry → married (ed=/d/)	Spy → spied (ed=/d/)
Copy → copied (ed=/d/)	Pay → paid (ed=/d/)Rely → relied (ed=/d/)	Stay → stayed (ed=/d/)
Cry → cried (ed=/d/)	Say → said (ed=/d/)	Try → tried (ed=/d/)
Hurry → hurried (ed=/d/)		**Stu**dy → **stu**died (ed=/d/)

*With **regular verbs** ending in <d> or <t> the simple past is pronounced /**dId**/ or /**tId**/.*

Di**rect** → di**rect**ed (ted=/tId/)	**E**dit→ **e**dited (ted=/tId/)	Want → **wan**ted (ted=/tId/)
Di**vide** → di**vid**ed (ded=/dId/)	Pro**vide**→ pro**vid**ed (ded=/dId/)	Test → **tes**ted (ted=/tId/)
In**vest** → In**vest**ed (ted=/tId/)	**Se**parate→ **se**parated (ted=/dId/)	
Draft → **draf**ted (ted=/tId/)	Shout → **shou**ted (ted=/tId/)	