

- 9 1 Complete the table below by putting the verbs into the correct column, according to the pronunciation of **-ed**.

accepted	aged	agreed	answered	asked	breathed
cycled	decided	hated	helped	laughed	loved
matched	needed	played	pretended	seemed	thanked
wanted	wished				

/d/	/t/	/ɪd/

- 2 Listen and check your answers. Then listen again and repeat the verbs.



- 10 Listen to the answers you recorded for Parts 1 and 2 in Exercises 6 and 7. Did you pronounce all the regular past-tense endings correctly? Write down any verbs you mispronounced and practise saying them correctly.

## Pronunciation: Diphthongs



- 11 1 A diphthong is a vowel sound, representing a single syllable, in which your tongue moves continuously from one position to another. Study the table below for the usual spellings and example words. Listen and repeat.
- 2 Add one more example word for each spelling. Check the pronunciation of the words you add in your dictionary because spelling can be misleading.

Vowel sounds	Usual spellings	Example words
eɪ	a (especially before consonant + e) ai ay	same _____ aim _____ day _____
əʊ	o (especially before consonant + e) oa	home _____ boat _____
aɪ	i (especially before consonant + e) y igh	time _____ fly _____ night _____
əʊ	ou ow	cloud _____ cow _____
ɔɪ	oi oy	choice _____ boy _____
ɪə	eer ere ear	peer _____ mere _____ hear _____
eə	air are	pair _____ stare _____