

present see **tense**

present participle

The present participle ends in *-ing* (*going, dancing, thinking* etc.).

We use the present participle for continuous forms of the verb (*I'm going, they were dancing* etc.).

We also use participles in sentences like:

*Joe hurt his knee **playing** football.*

See Units 68 and 97.

pronoun

These words are pronouns:

I/me, you, he/him, she/her, we/us, they/them, it (personal pronouns)

mine/yours/his/hers/ours/theirs (possessive pronouns)

myself/yourself/themselves etc. (reflexive pronouns)

Other pronouns include:

someone/nobody/everything etc.

this/that/these/those

See Units 82–91. See also **relative pronouns** and **determiners**.

question tag

A question tag is a 'mini-question' that we sometimes put on the end of a sentence:

*You haven't seen Kate, **have you?***

*There was a lot of traffic, **wasn't there?***

See also Unit 52.

regular and irregular verbs

The past simple and past participle of regular verbs are the same and end in *-ed*. For example:

*I **worked*** (past simple)

*I have **worked*** (past participle used with *have*)

*Tom **painted** the room.* (past simple)

*The room will be **painted**.* (past participle used in the passive)

The past simple and past participle of irregular verbs are sometimes the same and sometimes different.

But they do not end in *-ed*. For example:

*I **lost*** (past simple)

*I have **lost*** (past participle with *have*)

*Somebody **stole** my phone.* (past simple)

*My phone was **stolen**.* (past participle used in the passive)

See Appendix 1.