

past participle

The past participle of regular verbs ends in *-ed* (*cleaned, danced, played* etc.). Irregular verbs have different endings, for example *lost, broken, done*.

We use the past participle for perfect forms (*have cleaned, had done* etc.) and passive forms (*is cleaned, was broken* etc.).

See also Units 7, 42, 97 and Appendix 1

perfect

Perfect verb forms are *have* + past **participle**. For example:

<i>she has gone</i>	present perfect
<i>she had gone</i>	past perfect
<i>she must have gone</i>	perfect infinitive
<i>she will have gone</i>	perfect infinitive (= future perfect)
<i>she would like to have gone</i>	<i>to</i> + perfect infinitive

Perfect forms can also be **continuous**: *I have been waiting / I had been waiting / I must have been waiting* etc.

See Units 7–16, 24, 27–29, 33, 36, 40, 43, 45, 53–54 and 58.

phrasal verb

A phrasal verb is a verb + *in/out/on/off/up/down/away/back* etc. These words are sometimes called particles (a type of adverb). For example:

get on take off come back break down keep up

Sometimes phrasal verbs are used for movement and direction:

***Go away** and don't **come back**!*
*I **took** my shoes **off**.*

But often they have a special meaning. For example:

*My brother and I don't **get on** very well.* (= we don't have a good relationship)
*There are a few problems I need to **sort out**.* (= I need to solve)

Sometimes there is a preposition after a phrasal verb:

*I don't get on **with** my brother.*

Here, *get on* is a phrasal verb and *with* is a preposition.

See Units 137–145.

plural see singular and plural

preposition

Some examples of prepositions:

at, in, on, to, of, for, with, by, from, during

Prepositions are usually followed by a noun or pronoun:

*I don't like going out **at night**.*
*They live **in a small village**.*
*What's the name **of this street**?*
*This is **for you**.*

Sometimes (for example, in questions), there is a preposition at the end of a sentence:

*What are you looking **for**?*

See Units 121–136.