



Passato Prossimo

The *Passato Prossimo* is used for actions that happened at a specific time in the recent past and have been completed. It is composed of two things, a helping verb and a participle verb. The helping verbs are **essere** and **avere**. If the verb uses the auxiliary **essere**, then the participle must agree in number and gender

Conjugation of the Participle Past

- -are
 - singular: ato
 - plural: ati
- -ere
 - Singular uto
 - Plural: uto
- -ire
 - Singular: ito
 - Plural: ito

Most verbs use the auxiliary verb **avere**, however, verbs that convey movement use the verb **essere** along with other few ones like the verb **essere** itself. The *Passato Prossimo* is by far the most common tense of the past in Italian.

When to use:

It may be used in most situations where the English "I have done" or "I did" would satisfy the case.

PERSON	ARE (1st ending)	ERE (2nd ending)	IRE (3rd ending)
1S	parl ato	ricev uto	dorm ito
2S	parl ato	ricev uto	dorm ito
3S	parl ato	ricev uto	dorm ito
1P	parl ato	ricev uto	dorm ito
2P	parl ato	ricev uto	dorm ito
3P	parl ato	ricev uto	dorm ito