

# COSA SONO I VERBI IRREGOLARI

I verbi irregolari in inglese sono quei verbi che non seguono la normale costruzione quando si tratta di coniugarli nei vari tempi verbali.

Quando si studiano i verbi irregolari si fa riferimento al paradigma che viene offerto dai dizionari d'inglese nei quali i verbi irregolari sono articolati nelle 3 forme:

- **infinito** (senza to) o forma base del verbo... che equivale al *simple present*;
- **simple past** (può corrispondere all'imperfetto, al passato prossimo o al passato remoto in italiano perché viene utilizzato in usi diversi);
- **past participle** (il participio passato in italiano, es. "amato", "andato", ...).

Nei **verbi regolari** il *simple past* e il *past participle* si formano nella stessa maniera, ad esempio:

VERBO	INFINITO	PAST SIMPLE	PAST PARTICIPLE
camminare	To walk	walked	walked
andare	To go	went	gone

## PARADIGMI

INFINITO	past simple	past participle	verbi
To begin	began	begun	cominciare
To break	broke	broken	rompere
To bring	brought	brought	portare
To buy	bought	bought	comprare
can	could	been able	potere
To come	came	come	venire
To cost	cost	cost	costare
To do	did	done	fare
To dream	dreamt	dreamt	sognare
To drink	drank	drunk	bere
To drive	drove	driven	guidare
To eat	ate	eaten	mangiare
To fall	fell	fallen	cadere
To feel	felt	felt	sentire
To fight	fought	fought	lottare
To find	found	found	trovare
To fly	flew	flown	volare
To forget	forgot	forgotten	dimenticare
To forgive	forgave	forgiven	perdonare
To get	got	got	ottenere
To give	gave	given	dare
To go	went	gone	andare
To have	had	had	avere
To know	knew	known	sapere
To learn	learnt	learnt	imparare
To leave	left	left	partire
To make	made	made	fare
To mean	meant	meant	significare
To meet	met	met	incontrare
must	had to	had to	dovere
pay	paid	paid	pagare
To put	put	put	mettere
To read	read	read	leggere
To run	ran	run	correre

To say	said	said	dire
To see	saw	seen	vedere
To sell	sold	sold	vendere
To send	sent	sent	inviare
To set	set	set	fissare
To sleep	slept	slept	dormire
To speak	spoke	spoken	parlare
To spend	spent	spent	spendere
To take	took	taken	prendere
To teach	taught	taught	insegnare
To tell	told	told	dire
To think	thought	thought	pensare
To understand	understood	understood	capire
To wake	woke	woken	svegliarsi
To win	won	won	vincere
To write	wrote	written	scrivere

## TUTTI I VERBI IRREGOLARI INGLESI

- abide, abode, abode, dimorare
- arise, arose, arisen, sorgere
- awake, awoke, awoken, svegliare
- bear, bore, borne, sostenere
- beat, beat, beaten, battere
- become, became, become, diventare
- begin, began, begun, cominciare
- bend, bent, bent, piegare
- bet, bet, bet, scommettere
- bid, bid, bid, fare un'offerta
- bind, bound, bound, legare
- bite, bit, bitten, mordere
- bleed, bled, bled, sanguinare
- blow, blew, blown, soffiare
- break, broke, broken, rompere
- breed, bred, bred, allevare
- bring, brought, brought, portare
- broadcast, broadcast, broadcast, trasmettere
- build, built, built, costruire
- burn, burnt, burnt, bruciare
- burst, burst, burst, scoppiare
- buy, bought, bought, comprare
- can, could, been able, potere
- cast, cast, cast, gettare
- catch, caught, caught, prendere
- choose, chose, chosen, scegliere

- cling, clung, clung, afferrare
- come, came, come, venire
- cost, cost, cost, costare
- creep, crept, crept, strisciare
- cut, cut, cut, tagliare
- deal, dealt, dealt, distribuire
- dig, dug, dug, scavare
- dive, dove, dived, tuffarsi
- do, did, done, fare
- draw, drew, drawn, disegnare
- dream, dreamt, dreamt, sognare
- drink, drank, drunk, bere
- drive, drove, driven, guidare
- dwell, dwelt, dwelt, dimorare
- eat, ate, eaten, mangiare
- fall, fell, fallen, cadere
- feed, fed, fed, nutrire
- feel, felt, felt, sentire
- fight, fought, fought, lottare
- find, found, found, trovare
- fit, fit, fit, adattarsi
- flee, fled, fled, fuggire
- fling, flung, flung, scagliare
- fly, flew, flown, volare
- forbid, forbade, forbidden, proibire
- forget, forgot, forgotten, dimenticare
- forgive, forgave, forgiven, perdonare
- freeze, froze, frozen, congelare
- get, got, got, ottenere
- give, gave, given, dare
- go, went, gone, andare
- grind, ground, ground, macinare
- grow, grew, grown, crescere
- hang, hung, hung, appendere
- have, had, had, avere
- hear, heard, heard, sentire
- hide, hid, hidden, nascondere
- hit, hit, hit, colpire
- hold, held, held, tenere
- hurt, hurt, hurt, ferire
- keep, kept, kept, tenere
- kneel, knelt, knelt, inginocchiarsi
- know, knew, known, sapere
- lay, laid, laid, stendere
- lead, led, led, condurre
- lean, leant, leant, pendere
- learn, learnt, learnt, imparare
- leave, left, left, partire
- lend, lent, lent, prestare
- let, let, let, lasciare
- lie, lay, lain, sdraiarsi
- light, lit, lit, illuminare
- lose, lost, lost, perdere
- make, made, made, fare
- mean, meant, meant, significare
- meet, met, met, incontrare

- must, had to, had to, dovere
- overcome, overcame, overcome, vincere
- pay, paid, paid, pagare
- prove, proved, proven, dimostrare
- put, put, put, mettere
- quit, quit, quit, smettere
- read, read, read, leggere
- rid, rid, rid, sbarazzarsi
- ride, rode, ridden, cavalcare
- ring, rang, rung, squillare
- rise, rose, risen, alzarsi
- run, ran, run, correre
- say, said, said, dire
- see, saw, seen, vedere
- seek, sought, sought, cercare
- sell, sold, sold, vendere
- send, sent, sent, inviare
- set, set, set, fissare
- sew, sewed, sewn, cucire
- shake, shook, shaken, scuotere
- shine, shone, shone, brillare
- shoot, shot, shot, sparare
- show, showed, shown, mostrare
- shrink, shrank, shrunk, restringersi
- shut, shut, shut, chiudere
- sing, sang, sung, cantare
- sink, sank, sunk, affondare
- sit, sat, sat, sedersi
- sleep, slept, slept, dormire
- slide, slid, slid, scivolare
- slink, slunk, slunk, sgattaiolare
- slit, slit, slit, tagliare
- smell, smelt, smelt, odorare
- sow, sowed, sown, seminare
- speak, spoke, spoken, parlare
- speed, sped, sped, accelerare
- spell, spelt, spelt, scandire
- spend, spent, spent, spendere
- spill, spilt, spilt, versare
- spin, spun, spun, girare
- spit, spat, spat, sputare
- split, split, split, spaccare
- spoil, spoilt, spoilt, guastare
- spread, spread, spread, diffondere
- spring, sprang, sprung, rimbalzare
- stand, stood, stood, stare in piedi
- steal, stole, stolen, rubare
- stick, stuck, stuck, appiccicare
- sting, stung, stung, pungere
- stink, stank, stunk, puzzare
- stride, strode, stridden, camminare a grandi passi
- strike, struck, struck, colpire
- strive, strove, striven, battersi
- swear, swore, sworn, giurare
- sweep, swept, swept, spazzare
- swell, swelled, swollen, gonfiare

- swim, swam, swum, nuotare
- swing, swung, swung, dondolare
- take, took, taken, prendere
- teach, taught, taught, insegnare
- tear, tore, torn, strappare
- tell, told, told, dire
- think, thought, thought, pensare
- throw, threw, thrown, lanciare
- thrust, thrust, thrust, spingere
- tread, trod, trodden, calpestare
- undergo, underwent, undergone, subire
- understand, understood, understood, capire
- upset, upset, upset, preoccupare
- wake, woke, woken, svegliarsi
- wear, wore, worn, indossare
- weave, wove, woven, tessere
- weep, wept, wept, piangere
- win, won, won, vincere
- wind, wound, wound, serpeggiare
- withdraw, withdrew, withdrawn, prelevare
- wring, wrung, wrung, torcere
- write, wrote, written, scrivere