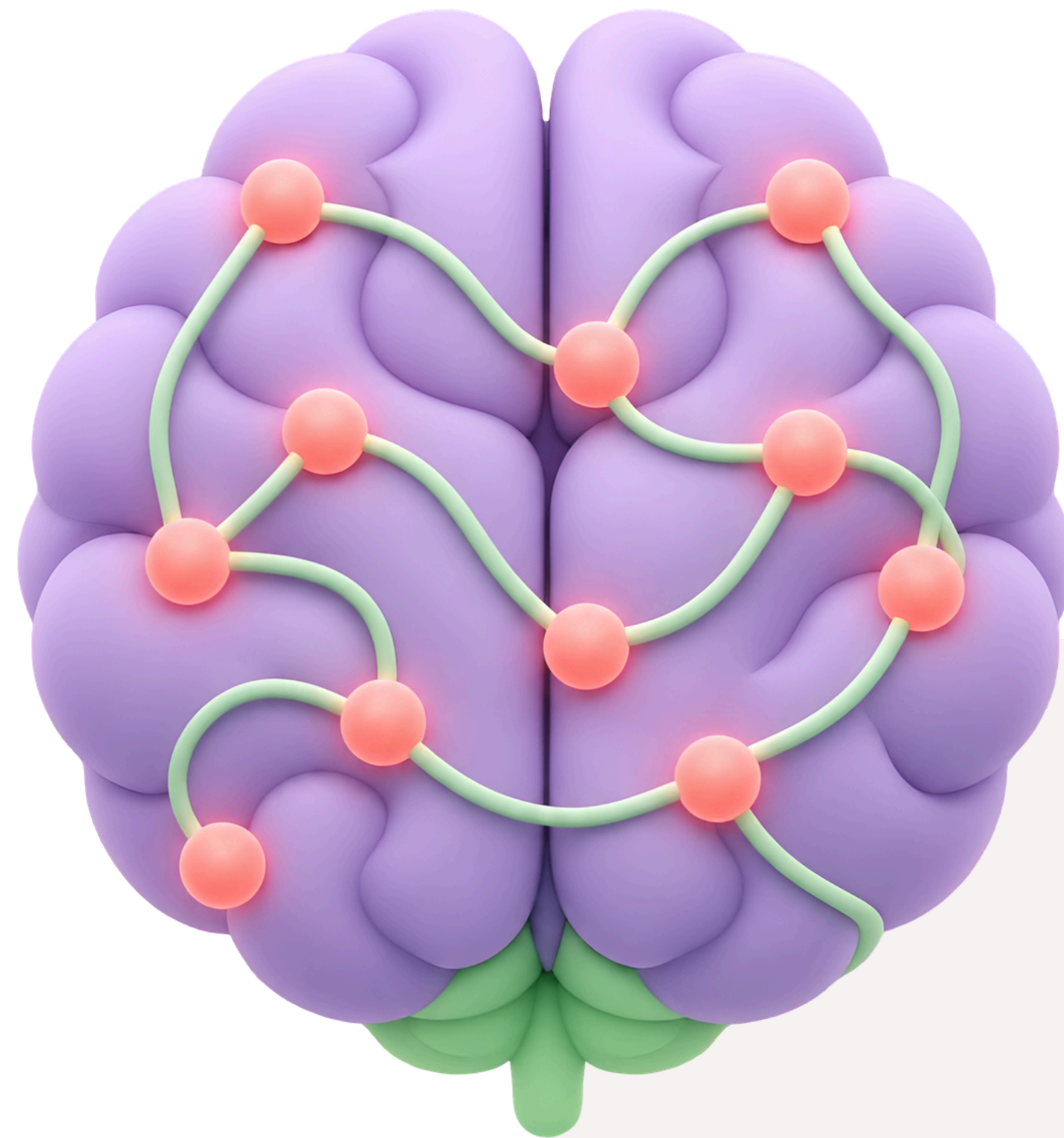




Irregular Verbs Patterns



How to Learn Irregular Verbs Easily

Most irregular verbs follow specific sound and spelling patterns. This guide groups irregular verbs into 8 pattern families to help you see how they change and memorize them more easily.

What do V1, V2, and V3 mean?

V1	V2	V3
base form sing	past simple sang	past participle sung

How to use it?

- Keep this guide visible. Print it out, put it on your wall, or save it on your phone so you see it every day.
- Learn a little every day. Focus on 1 or 2 groups at a time and say the words out loud (sing – sang – sung).
- Use them when you speak. Try rhyming them out loud, making your own sentences, or short stories using the past forms you just learnt.

No Change

V1 = V2 = V3

V1	V2	V3
cost	cost	cost
cut	cut	cut
hit	hit	hit
hurt	hurt	hurt
let	let	let
put	put	put
quit	quit	quit
shut	shut	shut

Vowel Change

V2 = V3

V1	V2	V3
find	found	found
get	got	got
sell	sold	sold
sit	sat	sat
stand	stood	stood
tell	told	told
understand	understood	understood
win	won	won

V2 and V3 end in -t

V1	V2	V3
build	built	built
burn	burnt	burnt
deal	dealt	dealt
dream	dreamt	dreamt
learn	learnt	learnt
lend	lent	lent
send	sent	sent
spend	spent	spent

-ought/ -aught

**V2 and V3 both end in
-ought or -aught**

V1	V2	V3
bring	brought	brought
buy	bought	bought
catch	caught	caught
teach	taught	taught
think	thought	thought

-ew -own/awn

**V2 ends in -ew, V3 ends in
-own or -awn**

V1	V2	V3
blow	blew	blown
draw	drew	drawn
fly	flew	flown
grow	grew	grown
know	knew	known
throw	threw	thrown

$$V3 = V2 + n$$

V1	V2	V3
break	broke	broken n
choose	chose	chosen n
speak	spoke	spoken n
steal	stole	stolen n
wake	woke	woken n

$$V3 = V1 + n$$

**sometimes the last letter
doubles**

V1	V2	V3
bite	bit	bitten n
drive	drove	driven n
forgive	forgave	forgiven n
give	gave	given n
hide	hid	hidden n
ride	rode	ridden n
rise	rose	risen n
write	wrote	written n

i → a → u

V1 has i, V2 has a, V3 has u

V1	V2	V3
begin	began	begun
drink	drank	drunk
ring	rang	rung
sing	sang	sung
swim	swam	swum



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