

Pronouncing “ed” Endings

Answers

Directions: Pronounce the following “ed” endings. Write **(T)** for a “t” sound, **(ID)** for an “id” sound, and **(D)** for a “d” sound.

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| 1) I laughed at the joke. | T |
| 2) Our work is finished . | T |
| 3) The snake killed the mouse. | D |
| 4) The teacher helped the student. | T |
| 5) When I was younger, I wanted to walk on the moon. | ID |
| 6) We hiked to the top of the mountain. | T |
| 7) James rented his apartment. | ID |
| 8) We can’t go swimming because the pool is covered . | D |
| 9) That old house is haunted . | ID |
| 10) We hunted for her keys, but could not find them. | ID |

Directions: Read the following passage using the correct pronunciation for “ed” endings.

The bear **jumped** (T) out of its cage and into the crowd. She must have **realized** (D) that this was her best chance to escape. The bear’s trainer **looked** (T) as though he were about to faint from the terror of it all; it **seemed** (D) like his worst nightmare come true. He **scrambled** (D) to his feet and **started** (ID) waving his hands and shouting to get the bears attention. She **stopped** (T) her wild rampage only for a moment at the sound of her trainer’s pleas. She quickly **turned** (D) back to the crowd and **resumed** (D) knocking people to the floor. The trainer suddenly had an idea. He **reached** (T) into his pocket and **pulled** (D) from it a large chocolate **covered** (D) treat – a known favorite of the bear. He **shouted** (ID) the bears name once more and she **turned** (D) to face him. She saw the treat and ran in full gallop towards him. He threw the treat into the cage and the bear **followed** (D). He **locked** (T) the door behind her and fell to the floor in relief. Apparently, the bear **valued** (D) food more than freedom.

Challenge: Draw a box around the *irregular verbs* in the passage above (verbs that should end in “ed” but do not because they do not follow the “ed” endings rules).