

# **PRONUNCIATION OF FINAL -ED SOUND**

## **LYCEE VERSION**

# *Pronunciation of final -ed*

## *Voiced vs voiceless sounds*

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**Can you feel the difference ?**

**This will help you to understand the different pronunciations of the -ed verb endings.**

**Past tense verbs with an -ed ending are pronounced in three different ways:**

**1- [t] after voiceless sounds : [p,k,f,s...]**

**2- [d] after voiced sounds: [b,g,v,z...]**

**3- [ɪd] after the sounds [t] or [d]**

**Can you find at least two examples for each way ?**



***Some adjectives don't follow these rules :  
crooked, long-legged, naked, beloved***

# *Practice !*



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# The Tower of Babel

Noah had three sons, -- Shem, Ham, and Japeth--, who had many children, and all these children had children, for God **commanded** them to multiply.

They all **lived** together and the whole earth spoke one language.

They **lived** in one area and **started** to build a city.

They **wanted** to build a tower tall enough to reach heaven.

If they **reached** heaven, they could understand all the secrets of the world.

The Lord came down to see the city and the tower and was very **displeased**.

He thought the people were arrogant because they **wanted** to reach heaven.

He went down and **confused** their language

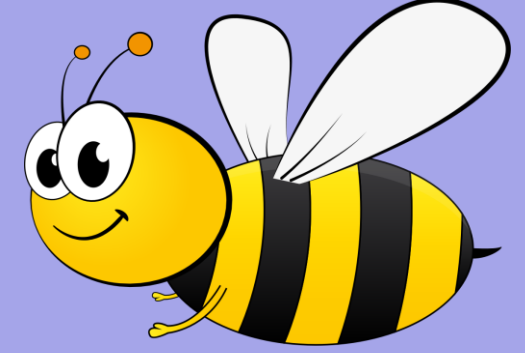
so that they couldn't understand each other.

The tower and the city were never **finished**, and the name was **called** Babel.

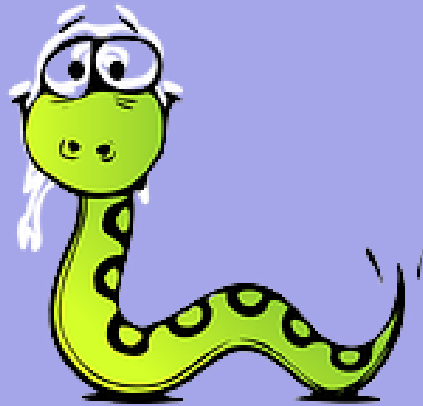
*This Bible story is an attempt to explain the origin of the world's various languages. From this story we have the verb "to babble," meaning to chatter or speak nonsense.*

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**COLLEGE VERSION**



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- **La terminaison -ed du prétérit se prononce de 3 façons différentes, selon les lettres qui la précèdent.**
- **Ecoute les trois verbes et relie-les à la prononciation de leur terminaison.**

***Listened***                      **[ɪd]**

***Worked***                         **[d]**

***Started***                         **[t]**



**Lis les verbes ci-dessous, écoute les attentivement et recopie les dans la bonne colonne selon la prononciation de leur terminaison.**

***Tidied – washed – wanted – visited – carried – helped –  
hoovered - cleaned – completed - looked – finished – surfed  
watched - walked – invited***

Son [d]	Son [t]	Son [ɪd]

***Cacule ton score! ..... /15.***

# ✓ Je déduis la règle :

- Le -ed, marque du prétérit simple des verbes réguliers a .....  
prononciations possibles.
- Il se prononce ..... en règle générale, c'est-à-dire qu'on le  
prononce comme un ..... à la fin.  
*Ex : listened, hoovered, lived, arrived, enjoyed...*
- Il se prononce ..... après les sons /d/ et /t/  
*Ex : decided, invited, started, painted ...*
- Il se prononce..... si le verbe se termine par les sons :  
/p/ : stoppped                      /k/ : worked                      /f/ : sniffed  
/s/ : passed                              /ʃ/ : washed                      /tʃ/ : washed