

Irregular Past Participles

A. Practice working with past participles. Fill in the blanks with the correct participial form of the verb in parentheses.

1. Peter was (take) _____ to the hospital in an ambulance.
2. The (lose) _____ woman could not remember her way back home.
3. The explorers had (find) _____ a shorter trade route.
4. Many of the condos on the beach had (be) _____ (buy) _____ by very wealthy people.
5. After the fight, Rocky had a (break) _____ nose.
6. Unfortunately, the thief was not (catch) _____ on time. He escaped.
7. In some societies, the (speak) _____ word is worth a lot more than the (write) _____ word.
8. By the time Louis was 12, he had (fly) _____ in an airplane more than any of his classmates.
9. The Jones had to put their dog to sleep after he had (bite) _____ a couple of children in the neighborhood.
10. Have you ever (take) _____ a Spanish class with Professor Jofre?
11. Do you like to eat (grind) _____ beef?
12. Sorry, nobody has ever (teach) _____ me that at school.
13. Some people are very worried about their privacy. They do not like to be (see) _____ in public.

B. Go back and look at each one of these sentences and determine what function each of the past participles had. Was it as an adjective, a passive form, or a perfect form?

1. _____
2. _____

3. _____ 4. _____
5. _____ 6. _____
7. _____ 8. _____
9. _____ 10. _____
11. _____ 12. _____
13. _____

C. Write your own sentences with the following verbs in their participial forms. How are your participial forms being used? As an adjective, a passive form, or a perfect form? Share your answers with a classmate.

1. See _____
2. Go _____
3. Do _____
4. Bind _____
5. Mistake _____

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