



Verbes irréguliers

La langue anglaise possède plus de trois cent verbes irréguliers. Vous trouverez, dans la liste ci-dessous ceux d'entre eux qu'il vous **faut impérativement connaître**.

● La traduction de chaque verbe donnée en regard correspond à l'usage le plus fréquent. Certains verbes peuvent être utilisés au sens figuré.

Infinitif	Preterit	Participe passé	Sens principaux
arise	arose	arisen	s'élever, surgir, survenir, se produire
be	was	been	être
bear	bore	borne	porter, supporter
beat	beat	beaten	frapper, battre
become	became	become	devenir
begin	began	begun	commencer
bend	bent	bent	(se) courber, plier, se pencher
bet	bet	bet	parier
bid	bid	bid	ordonner, faire une offre de
bite	bit	bitten	mordre
bleed	bled	bled	saigner
blow	blew	blown	souffler (exploser)
broadcast	broadcast	broadcast	diffuser, émettre, semer, répandre
break	broke	broken	casser, (se) briser
breed	bred	bred	élever (du bétail par ex.)
bring	brought	brought	apporter, porter
build	built	built	bâtir, construire
burn	burnt, burned	burnt, burned	brûler
burst	burst	burst	éclater, exploser
buy	bought	bought	acheter
cast	cast	cast	jeter, lancer
catch	caught	caught	attraper, saisir
choose	chose	chosen	choisir
cling	clung	clung	se cramponner, s'accrocher
clothe	clothed, clad	clothed, clad	habiller, vêtir
come	came	come	venir, arriver
cost	cost	cost	coûter
creep	crept	crept	ramper, se glisser, grimper (plante)
cut	cut	cut	couper
deal	dealt	dealt	distribuer / (+ with) : avoir affaire à
dig	dug	dug	creuser, bêcher
do	did	done	faire
draw	drew	drawn	tirer, retirer, dessiner, tracer
dream	dreamed, dreamt	dreamed, dreamt	rêver
drink	drank	drunk	boire
drive	drove	driven	conduire
dwell	dwelt	dwelt	habiter
eat	ate	eaten	manger
fall	fell	fallen	tomber
feed	fed	fed	nourrir, approvisionner, alimenter
feel	felt	felt	toucher, (res)sentir, se sentir
fight	fought	fought	se battre, lutter
find	found	found	trouver
flee	fled	fled	fuir, s'enfuir
fling	flung	flung	lancer, jeter, projeter
fly	flew	flown	voler (dans les airs)
forbid	forbade	forbidden	interdire, défendre
forget	forgot	forgotten	oublier
forgive	forgave	forgiven	pardonner
forgo	forwent	forgone	renoncer à, se priver de

freeze	froze	frozen	geler
get	got	got	obtenir, recevoir, avoir, devenir
give	gave	given	donner
go	went	gone	aller, marcher
grind	ground	ground	moudre, broyer, écraser
grow	grew	grown	grandir, faire pousser, cultiver
hang*	hung	hung	(sus)pendre, accrocher, être accroché
have	had	had	avoir
hear	heard	heard	entendre
hide	hid	hidden	cacher, dissimuler, (se) cacher
hit	hit	hit	frapper, cogner
hold	held	held	tenir, contenir, détenir
hurt	hurt	hurt	faire (du) mal, blesser, offenser
keep	kept	kept	garder, conserver
kneel	knelt	knelt	s'agenouiller
knit	knitted, knit	knitted, knit	tricoter
know	knew	known	savoir
lay	laid	laid	poser, mettre, étendre
lead	led	led	mener, conduire, guider
lean	leant, leaned	leant, leaned	(se) pencher, s'appuyer
leap	leapt	leapt	sauter, bondir
learn	learnt, learned	learnt, learned	apprendre
leave	left	left	laisser, quitter, partir
lend	lent	lent	prêter
let	let	let	laisser, louer (un) logement
lie	lay	lain	être couché, étendu, allongé
light	lit, lighted	lit, lighted	allumer, éclairer
lose	lost	lost	perdre
make	made	made	faire
mean	meant	meant	signifier, avoir l'intention de
meet	met	met	rencontrer
melt	melted	melted, molten	fondre
mistake	mistook	mistaken	mal interpréter, mal comprendre
mow	mowed	mown	tondre, faucher, moissonner
overdo	overdid	overdone	exagérer
pay	paid	paid	payer
put	put	put	mettre, poser
read	read	read	lire
rid	rid	rid	débarrasser
ride	rode	ridden	être, aller (à cheval, à bicyclette)
ring	rang	rung	sonner, tinter, retentir
rise	rose	risen	se lever, s'élever, augmenter
run	ran	run	courir
saw	sawed	sawn	scier
say	said	said	dire
see	saw	seen	voir
seek	sought	sought	chercher
sell	sold	sold	vendre
send	sent	sent	envoyer
set	set	set	poser, placer
sew	sewed	sewn	coudre
shake	shook	shaken	secouer, agiter
shave	shaved	shaved, shaven	se raser
shed	shed	shed	perdre (feuilles), verser (larmes)
**shine	shone	shone	briller
shoot	shot	shot	tirer, faire feu
show	showed	shown	montrer
shrink	shrank	shrunk	(se) rétrécir
shut	shut	shut	fermer