

## Irregular verb patterns

Some irregular verbs keep the same in base form and simple past. Some change their form in different patterns. Look at these basic patterns.

Group 1: Irregular verbs that change the *d* to *t* in the past forms.

*send*–*sent*, *spend*–*spent*

Group 2: Irregular verbs that do not change from base form to simple past.

*cost*–*cost*, *hit*–*hit*, *shut*–*shut*

Group 3: Irregular verbs that lose an *e* and add or keep a *t* at the end.

*sleep*–*slept*, *meet*–*met*

Group 4: Irregular verbs that have no specific pattern.

*give*–*gave*–*given*, *see*–*saw*–*seen*, *get*–*got*–*gotten*, *do*–*did*–*done*

**Task 1: Circle the correct options. Then write the number of the group pattern the verb follows.**

1. Last night, the baby *sleep* / *slept* very well.
2. My brother *lend* / *lent* me his dictionary yesterday.
3. My sister *spent* / *spend* \$1000 on a laptop a month ago.
4. I *send* / *sent* an e-mail with my homework.

**Task 2: Fill in the blanks with the simple past form of one of the following verbs: *go*, *be*, *see*, *drink*, *swim*, *eat*, *fall*, *get*, *blow*, *hit*. Some verbs may be used more than once.**

Valerie's birthday party (1) \_\_\_\_\_ a lot of fun. We (2) \_\_\_\_\_ all so happy to be together. We (3) \_\_\_\_\_ for a walk on the nature trail, where we (4) \_\_\_\_\_ a snake! Then we (5) \_\_\_\_\_ in the lake. That (6) \_\_\_\_\_ fun until Martin (7) \_\_\_\_\_ off of the rope swing and (8) \_\_\_\_\_ his head. Then we decided to stop swimming, and Valerie opened her gifts. She (9) \_\_\_\_\_ lots of great presents. After that, she (10) \_\_\_\_\_ out the candles on her cake, and we (11) \_\_\_\_\_ cake, (12) \_\_\_\_\_ soda and played games until dark.