



Exercise on verbal paradigms

Verbal paradigms – Here follow some examples of irregular verbs, most of them are quite common in scientific English.

Complete the table below giving **1** every possible alternative for *past simple* and/or *past participle*, **2** the Italian equivalent(s) of the infinitive form only and **3** highlighting the difference of the transitive vs intransitive usage in meaning (when it exists!):

| INFINITIVE | PAST SIMPLE | PAST PARTICIPLE | -ING FORM | ITALIAN TRANSLATION (of the infinitive form only!) |
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| 1. | | been | | |
| 2. to bear | | | | |
| 3. to bend | | | | |
| 4. | | become | | |
| 5. | began | | | |
| 6. to burn | | | | |
| 7. | | bred | | |
| 8. | broke | | | |
| 9. to bring | | | | |
| 10. | caught | | | |
| 11. | | cut | | |
| 12. to deal | | | | |
| 13. | drew | | | |
| 14. to eat | | | | |

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| 15. | | fallen | | |
| 16. to feed | | | | |
| 17. | felt | | | |
| 18. | | fought | | |
| 19. to flee | | | | |
| 20. | got | | | |
| 21. to grow | | | | |
| 22. | | heard | | |
| 23. to hide | | | | |
| 24. | | held | | |
| 25. to keep | | | | |
| 26. | knew | | | |
| 27. to lay | | | | |
| 28. to lead | | | | |
| 29. to learn | | | | |
| 30. to lie | | | | |
| 31. | lost | | | |
| 32. to make | | | | |
| 33. to mow | | | | |
| 34. | proved | | | |

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| 35. | | run | | |
| 36. to seek | | | | |
| 37. | shook | | | |
| 38. to sink | | | | |
| 39. to sleep | | | | |
| 40. to sneak | | | | |
| 41. to spread | | | | |
| 42. to sow | | | | |
| 43. | swelled | | | |
| 44. to swim | | | | |
| 45. | | told | | |
| 46. | thought | | | |
| 47. | | thrown | | |
| 48. to un/wind | | | | |
| 49. to wound | | | | |
| 50. | wrote | | | |



* Please refer to <https://www.oxfordlearnersdictionaries.com/>