

Build Grammar Skills: Regular Verbs

Most verbs in the English language are regular. The past and past participle of a **regular verb** are formed by adding *-ed* or *-d* to the present form. The chart below shows the principal parts of three regular verbs.

PRINCIPAL PARTS OF REGULAR VERBS

Present	Present Participle	Past	Past Participle
walk	(is) walking	walked	(has) walked
start	(is) starting	started	(has) started
cure	(is) curing	cured	(has) cured

A. Practice: Indicate the principle part of each underlined verb.

1. The traveler is looking down each road.
2. In “The Road Not Taken,” the speaker may or may not have enjoyed his choice.
3. After Annie’s husband left, she decided not to work as a domestic.
4. We learn that she is working hard to prepare food for the next day.
5. In “To be of use,” the speaker admires people who work hard.

	Present	Present Participle	Past	Past Participle
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B. Writing Application: Write sentences using the indicated principal part of each of the following verbs.

1. pour (past)

2. chew (past participle)

3. amble (present)

4. whisper (present participle)