



Pronunciation: regular verbs

/ed/ endings



Three groups

We pronounce ed endings in three different ways.

ed = /id/

ed = /d/

ed = /t/



How to work out the pronunciation of a regular verb

We are going to look at regular verbs in the bare infinitive.

We are going to talk about the sounds at the ends of these verbs.

Remember to think about the sounds not the spelling of the word.



Group 1

ed = /id/

If the infinitive verb ends with the sound /t/ or /d/
we pronounce the ed as /id/.

need

hate



Group 2

ed = /d/

Voiced sounds. If the last sound of the infinitive verb is voiced we pronounce ed as /d/.

love

cry



Group 3

ed = /t/

Unvoiced. If the final sound of the infinitive verb is unvoiced we pronounce ed as /t/.

look

wish

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