

PRONUNCIATION: -ED ENDINGS



The pronunciation of the -ed ending is generally determined by the final sound (not letter) of the base verb. For example, /f/ is the final sound in the verb laugh. The tables below which show the -ed pronunciation that is used after the final sound of the base verb.

-ed ending:	final sound:	infinitive:	past tense:	phonetics:	extra syllable?
/ɪd/	/d/ /t/	need <u>d</u> want <u>t</u>	need <u>ed</u> want <u>ed</u>	/ˈniːdɪd/ /ˈwɒntɪd/	Yes

-ed ending:	final sound:	infinitive:	past tense:	phonetics:	extra syllable?
/t/	/f/ /k/ /p/ /s/ /ʃ/ /tʃ/	laugh <u>h</u> cook <u>k</u> hope <u>p</u> danc <u>ce</u> wash <u>h</u> watch <u>ch</u>	laugh <u>ed</u> cook <u>ed</u> hop <u>ed</u> danc <u>ed</u> wash <u>ed</u> watch <u>ed</u>	/lɑːft/ /kʊkt/ /həʊpt/ /dɑːnst/ /wɒʃt/ /wɒtʃt/	No

-ed ending:	final sound:	infinitive:	past tense:	phonetics:	extra syllable?
/d/	All other sounds	rob <u>b</u> foll <u>ow</u> play <u>y</u>	robb <u>ed</u> follow <u>ed</u> play <u>ed</u>	/rɒbd/ /ˈfɒləʊd/ /pleɪd/	No