

Common Irregular Preterite Verbs

Name: _____ Date: _____

LEARNING OBJECTIVE

Students will memorize and correctly use common irregular preterite verbs (ir, ser, hacer).

MATERIALS NEEDED

- 12 index cards
- pen or pencil

HANDS-ON ACTIVITY

1. On 6 cards, write the irregular preterite forms of 'ir/ser' (fui, fuiste, fue, fuimos, fuisteis, fueron — note these two verbs share the same preterite forms).
2. On 6 more cards, write the irregular preterite forms of 'hacer' (hice, hiciste, hizo, hicimos, hicisteis, hicieron).
3. Play a matching game: shuffle all 12 cards face down, flip two at a time, and try to find pairs that belong to the same verb (ir/ser vs. hacer) by their pattern.
4. Write 3 original sentences using at least one irregular form from each verb set (e.g., 'Yo fui al parque' and 'Ella hizo la tarea').

QUESTIONS

1. What are the preterite forms of 'yo' for 'ir/ser' and for 'hacer'?

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2. Why do 'ir' (to go) and 'ser' (to be) share identical preterite conjugations?

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3. Write one of your original sentences using 'hacer' in the preterite, and translate it to English.

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4. Translate this sentence to Spanish using the preterite: 'I went to the store.'
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