

# IRREGULAR VERBS – EXERCISE 2

**Directions:** Choose the correct verb for the sentences below. Check your answers with the [interactive version](#) of the exercise.

1. A strong wind \_\_\_\_\_ through the trees, loosening clumps of moss, dead branches, old kites, and baby squirrels, all of which fell to the wet ground below.  
  
A. had blew  
B. blew  
C. blowed
2. Charlie believed that he had \_\_\_\_\_ the best essay of the semester, but when Professor Varner returned the paper, the slashes of red ink and caustic comments immediately changed his opinion of the work.  
  
A. wrote  
B. wroten  
C. written
3. Becky had both an empty wallet and stomach, so she \_\_\_\_\_ a chocolate bar from the candy rack. The ensuing guilt was harder to tolerate than her growling belly.  
  
A. stole  
B. had stole  
C. stealed

4. In her dreams that night, Diana had \_\_\_\_\_ in a pool of warm cocoa; when she awoke, the aroma of chocolate still tickled her nostrils.
- A. swimmmed
  - B. swam
  - C. swum
5. Chauncey would have \_\_\_\_\_ some of the squid eyeball stew if a long, gray tentacle had not dangled over the side of the bowl.
- A. ate
  - B. eaten
  - C. eatten
6. My grandmother does not trust banks, so she has \_\_\_\_\_ money all over the house. Once, I pulled an old romance novel off a shelf and found seven \$100 bills stuck between the pages.
- A. hidd
  - B. hiden
  - C. hidden
7. George would have \_\_\_\_\_ to class sooner, but a beautiful woman was listening to him lie about having a fat wallet and hot car, and he could not tear himself away from the conversation.
- A. came
  - B. come
  - C. commed

8. If Eli had not escaped to the kitchen to cool his temper, he would have \_\_\_\_\_ a heavy plate over the head of Mrs. Jones, who sent back her chicken for the fourth time.
- A. broken
  - B. breaked
  - C. braked
9. Dashing down the hallway, Tuan slipped in a puddle of soda and crashed into the water fountain. His elbow and nose \_\_\_\_\_ for the rest of the day.
- A. hurt
  - B. hurted
  - C. had hurted
10. Giselle dreaded attending her U.S. Government class. Whenever Professor Duncan called on her, Giselle \_\_\_\_\_ in her chair; she could not open her mouth, let alone answer one of his questions.
- A. freezed
  - B. was froze
  - C. froze
11. A thin stray kitten cried outside the back door. Because Rebecca felt sorry for the poor animal, she \_\_\_\_\_ it some leftover ravioli, the only food she had in the refrigerator.
- A. fed
  - B. fead
  - C. feeded

12. Last week, Hector had \_\_\_\_\_ his girlfriend Gloria an expensive gold necklace. When he saw her flirting with Omar, Hector knew that he should have purchased new rims for his car instead.
- A. gived
  - B. gave
  - C. given
13. Because Kerri Ann \_\_\_\_\_ all her biology homework, she spent the rest of the evening with her friends. The next morning, when Professor Wright passed out the difficult pop quiz, Kerri Ann realized that her books should have been her only company.
- A. done
  - B. had done
  - C. had did
14. On his way to the interview, Gonzalo \_\_\_\_\_ a hot dog to quiet his rumbling stomach. While he was wolfing down this quick meal, yellow mustard dripped down the front of his crisp white shirt.
- A. buyed
  - B. baught
  - C. bought
15. Omar woke up before dawn and drove to Daytona Beach. As the sun \_\_\_\_\_ over the ocean, he watched the water sparkle like the beautiful diamond earrings he had given his girlfriend Gloria, who then dumped him for a new boyfriend with a higher credit card limit.
- A. rised
  - B. raised
  - C. rose

16. Dan would have \_\_\_\_\_ his brand-new truck to the grocery store if he had not been so worried that a loose can of peas might roll around in the bed and chip the pristine red paint.
- A. drived
  - B. drove
  - C. driven
17. For weeks, Judi searched cookbooks and culinary magazines for the recipe to make squid eyeball stew. Finally, she \_\_\_\_\_ the instructions at **www.eatmoresquid.com**, a web site dedicated to preparing this sea delicacy.
- A. finded
  - B. found
  - C. founded
18. After cooking all night, Paulette \_\_\_\_\_ a huge platter of chocolate-broccoli muffins to the meeting. Everyone enjoyed the delicious combination of tastes while getting the daily dose of vitamin C.
- A. braught
  - B. brought
  - C. brang
19. When Professor Tighe saw Julie using *Moby-Dick* as a coaster for a sweating glass of cold soda, he \_\_\_\_\_ down his briefcase and lectured the poor woman on showing proper respect for great literature.
- A. throwed
  - B. through
  - C. threw

20. Jim's last temper tantrum \_\_\_\_\_ \$400. He had thrown an expensive titanium three-wood into the golf course lake, and his wife Nancy insisted that he hire a scuba diver to retrieve it.

- A. cost
- B. coss
- C. costed

