

## Activity Type

Speaking activity

## Focus

Irregular verb forms

## Aim

To practice irregular verb forms.

## Preparation

None

## Level

Pre-intermediate (A2-B1)

## Time

20 minutes

## Introduction

Here is a fun ESL irregular verb forms game to play in class.

## Procedure

Divide the students into two teams.

Have one student from each team come to the front of the class and sit facing each other. You act as umpire.

One student thinks of an irregular verb and serves it by saying the past participle form of the verb, e.g. begun.

The other student responds to the serve with the past form of the verb, e.g. began.

The first student then gives the base form of the verb, e.g. begin.

The other student then serves by choosing a new irregular verb.

The serve is always the past participle form of the verb.

When a student makes a mistake or is too slow to respond, the other student scores a point for their team and the correct verb form is written on the board.

The game then continues with the other student responding with the next verb form or a new verb accordingly.

The round finishes when a student gets three points.

Write the two students' scores on the board and then a new student from each team comes to the front and so on.

The team with the most points at the end of the game wins.

This game can also be played with adjectives, comparatives and superlatives as well as countries, nationalities and languages.