**Here are some common Irregular verbs in the Preterite:**

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|  | **Yo** | **tú** | **él, ella, usted** | **nosotros** | **ellos, ellas, ustedes** |
| ***Andar*** | anduve | anduviste | anduvo | anduvimos | anduvieron |
| ***Conducir\**** | conduje | condujiste | condujo | condujimos | condujeron |
| ***Decir\**** | dije | dijiste | dijo | dijimos | dijeron |
| ***Estar*** | estuve | estuviste | estuvo | estuvimos | estuvieron |
| ***Hacer*** | hice | hiciste | hizo | hicimos | hicieron |
| ***Poner*** | puse | pusiste | puso | pusimos | pusieron |
| ***Poder*** | pude | pudiste | pudo | pudimos | pudieron |
| ***Querer*** | quise | quisiste | quiso | quisimos | quisieron |
| ***Saber*** | supe | supiste | supo | supimos | supieron |
| ***Tener*** | tuve | tuviste | tuvo | tuvimos | tuvieron |
| ***Traer\**** | traje | trajiste | trajo | trajimos | trajeron |
| ***Venir*** | vine | viniste | vino | vinimos | vinieron |
| ***Hacer*** in the third person singular changes out the "c" for a "z" to reflect the correct pronunciation.Irregulars which use a "J" in the Preterite only add "-eron" (NOT "-ieron") to the third-person plural  |
| **Other verbs which are irregular in the Preterite** |
| ***Dar*** | *di* | *diste* | *dio* | *dimos* | *dieron* |
| ***Dar*** is often humorously referred to as the "cross-dressing" verb, because in the Preterite ***Dar*** takes on the ***-Er/-Ir*** preterite verb endings rather than -***Ar*** verb endings. |
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| ***Ver*** | *vi* | *viste* | *vio* | *vimos* | *vieron* |
| Verbs with only 2 or 3 letters, such as ***Dar, Ser, Ir*** and ***Ver***, also do not wear accent marks in the Preterite.[Remember that Spanish only uses accent marks when required for pronunciation or differentiation](http://www.drlemon.com/Grammar/pronounce.html). |
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| ***Ir & Ser*** | *fui* | *fuiste* | *fue* | *fuimos* | *fueron* |
| Notice that ***Ir*** and ***Ser*** share the same forms in the Preterite. This is not as confusing as it may appear. Since ***Ser*** refers to existence and identification, it is nearly impossible to use this in the Preterite which handles only completed actions. This preterite conjugation form will nearly always be ***Ir*** (an action verb) rather than ***Ser*** (a descriptive verb) which is usually conjugated in the [Imperfect Past tense](http://www.drlemon.com/Grammar/imperfect.html).Also the context of a sentence or a conversation will let you know which is being used. For example: * ***Fui*** *al supermercado* clearly means "I went to the supermarket," not ***\*"I was*** to the supermarket."
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