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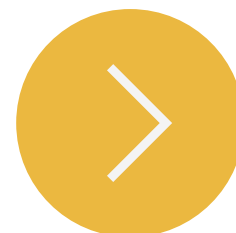
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WHAT IS THE PARTIZIP 2 (PAST PARTICIPLE)?

The Partizip 2 is also called Partizip Perfekt and is equivalent to the English past participle. (It's the 3rd form of the verb)

i.e. go – went – **gone** // gehen – ging – **gegangen**

USE OF THE PARTIZIP 2

1. In Perfekt (Perfect), Plusquamperfekt (Past Perfect), Futur 2 (Future Perfect) and Passive:

Perfekt: „Du bist nach Hause **gegangen**.“

Plusquamperfekt: „Er war nach Hause **gegangen**.“

Futur 2: „Bis Morgen wird das Auto **repariert** sein.“

Zustandspassiv: „Das Fenster ist **geöffnet**.“

Vorgangspassiv: „Das Haus wird **geputzt**.“

2. As an adjective instead of a subordinate clause (if one action occurred before the other):

- „Er **parkt** jetzt das **geputzte** Auto.“
 → The first action was **putzen**.
 → The second action is **parken**.
 „Er **hat** das Auto **geputzt**.“ „Er **parkt** das Auto jetzt.“

REGULAR CONSTRUCTION

Regular Verbs (Regular In Präsens)

ge + verb stem + **-(e)t**

Examples:

- machen → **gemacht**
- arbeiten → **gearbeitet** (when the verb stem ends in "-d" / "-t")

Feature:

Verbs ending in “-ieren” don't get “ge-” added to the beginning of the word.

- organisieren → organisier**t**

Irregular/Strong Verbs (Irregular in Präsens)

ge + verb stem + **-en**

Examples:

- fahren → **ge**fahren
- schlafen → **ge**schlaf**en**

The categorization in regular and irregular is based on the Präsens conjugation!

Therefore, the construction of the Partizip 2 is regular for both versions.

IRREGULAR CONSTRUCTION

Mixed Verbs

For mixed verbs, the Partizip 2 uses the stem from the **Präteritum tense**:

ge + verb stem in Präteritum + **-t**

Examples:

- bringen → **ge**brach**t** (Präteritum: brachte)
- brennen → **ge**brann**t** (Präteritum: brannte)
- kennen → **ge**kann**t** (Präteritum: kannte)

There are no specific rules which verbs use the verb stem from the simple past. You just have to learn it.

Verbs With Vowel Changes

Some strong verbs change their vowel (a, e, i, o, u) to form their Partizip 2 form. These words usually change their vowel in the Präsens as well. Additionally, the double vowel "ei" almost always changes to "ie" in the Partizip 2.

Verbs with a vowel change always take an "-en" ending for the Partizip 2.

ge + verb stem with a vowel change + **-en**

Examples:

- helfen → geholfen
- nehmen → genommen
- schreiben → geschrieben

CONSTRUCTION WITH COMPOUND VERBS

Construction: Separable Verbs

You simply add the prefix to the Partizip 2 of the main verb.

Prefix + **ge** + verb stem + **-t/-en**

Example:

- einschlafen → eingeschlafen
- aufräumen → aufgeräumt
- anbringen → angebracht

The Partizip 2 of the main verb remains the same!

Construction: Inseparable Verbs

Inseparable verbs form the Partizip 2 without the "ge".

Prefix + Verb stem + **-t/-en**

Examples:

- besuchen → besucht
- verstehen → verstanden

The Partizip 2 of the main verb remains the same!

Memorize: The basic form of the Partizip 2 always remains the same, independent of the prefix.

Example:

- stehen → gestanden (regular verb)
- aufstehen → auf**gestanden** (separable verb)
- verstehen → ver**standen** (inseparable verb)

TASK



- If you haven't done it yet, take my vocabulary list sample for verbs.
- Make a separate list just for verbs and fill in all the columns for every single verb you learn.
- If you learn the forms altogether, it is way easier! Then, when you start learning and using them, you'll quickly get a feeling for the correct conjugation!

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