

REGULAR VERBS

Read this passage and try to get the general idea.

Aldo Leopold, forester, wildlife ecologist, and writer (1888-1948)

"To keep every cog and wheel is the first precaution of intelligent tinkering."

"Once you learn to read the land, I have no fear of what you will do to or with it. And I know many pleasant things it will do to you."

Aldo Leopold had a unique gift for communicating the science of ecology and is best known as the author of *A Sand County Almanac*, a landmark collection of essays and sketches dealing with the relationship between land and people. It was as a young boy that he started to develop life-long connections to the land. He grew up in Iowa along the Mississippi River and explored the wild prairies, woods and streams near his home. After graduating from Yale, he served for nineteen years in the southwest for the US Forest Service. In 1933, he wrote the seminal book *Game Management* which established the new field of wildlife ecology. Subsequently, the department of Game Management was first established at the University of Wisconsin of which he was the first chairman. His work guided him to see the land as a living organism and he eloquently promoted the idea of a land ethic and the meaning of what it is to live in harmony with land and one another.

Leading Minds in the Ecological Movement, by Michele Altherr.

(Google, Famous ecologists) <http://www.pajaritoeec.org/guides/ecologists.php>

Answer to yourself:

- 1.- What do you see about these verbs?
- 2.- What is the tense of these verbs?
- 3.- How do you know?

If your answer to question number one was: They all end in “-ed”, you are correct!

If your answer to question number two was: Past , wow, you are good!

Regular verbs in English add “-ed” for the past tense. All you have to do is follow these simple rules:

Spelling rules for adding “ed”

In general, you just add “ed” to the end of a regular verb or word.

For example: with the verb play, just add “ed” to the end and it becomes played.

Infinitive	ED form
to play	played
to rain	rained
to fix	fixed
to wait	waited
to look	looked

Reference:

Woodward Education (s.f.). ED Spelling Rules.

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