Overview
• review of verb inflections
• pronunciation of verb inflections

Verb or Adjective?
• Verb cannot take very

He was tired → He was very tired.
He was failed → * He was very failed.

practice: verb or adjective?
1. He is interested in books.
2. Bob was watched by a tiger.
3. Sam was surprised by the results.
4. Jo was noticed by the judges.
5. I have been attacked.
6. I am fascinated in linguistics.

extreme adjectives
• cannot be qualified by very
• fascinated, amazed, marvellous, brilliant ...

I am very interested in this.
* I am very fascinated in this.

Verb Inflections
• base form: I walk
• third singular: he walks
• -ing participle: he is walking
• past: he walked
• -ed participle: he has walked
past form / -ed participle
• the same for regular verbs: walked
• may differ for irregular verbs: ate/eaten

occurrence of –ed participle
• after perfective have: I have eaten
• after passive be: I was eaten

occurrence of –ing participle
• after progressive be: I am walking

occurrence of base form
• after modal verb: I can swim
• after infinitive to: I like to swim
• after dummy do: Do you swim?

Identify the underlined form and explain it.
• Fred has finished.
• Bill might win.
• Shanti does like you.
• Sharifah is really trying.
• Should he come now?
• Sam was maybe shot.

Pronunciation of –ed: /t/ or /d/?
smashed
failed
surprised
laughed
fined
blamed
/t/ or /d/ ?
• voiceless + /t/
• voiced + /d/

/id/ after alveolar plosives
• alveolar plosives = /t, d/
• SgE has /id/
  
  lifted  /ˈlɪftɪd/
  raided  /ˈreɪdɪd/

summary: -ed suffix occurrence
• occurs on verbs in
  – regular past tense: walked, saved, waited …
  – regular -ed participle
• occurs on adjectives as
  – derivational suffix, V → Adj:
    ashamed, interested …

pronunciation of -ed suffix
• /t/ after voiceless sound other than /t/
• /d/ after voiced sound other than /d/
• /id/ after /t, d/
  
  rushed  /rʌʃt/  
  seemed  /siːmd/  
  faded  /ˈfeɪdɪd/

  note: vowels are voiced
  played  /pleɪd/

irregular verbs
• a few irregular verbs do not follow the rules:
  dreamt  /ˈdremt/  
  meant  /ment/
• a few adjectives do not really have a suffix:
  wicked  /ˈwɪkɪd/

Reading
• pronunciation of –ed: SoE 141-142.
• occurrence of verb forms: GoE 38