

HDHS #12: Pretérito Irregular A

4 COMMON IRREGULARS

- The verbs ir, ser, hacer, dar and ver are frequently used in Spanish. They are all irregular in the preterite tense. Dar and ver take the –er, –ir endings but have no written accent marks.

PRONOUNS	IR / SER (went/was, were)	DAR (gave)	VER (saw)
yo	fui	di	vi
tú	fuiste	diste	viste
él, ella, Ud.	fue	dio	vio
nosotros (-as)	fuimos	dimos	vimos
ellos, ellas, Uds.	fueron	dieron	vieron

Note: Ir and ser share the same verb forms!

SUPER IRREGULARS

- The following verbs have special irregular stems that are used in all five forms. They are commonly grouped in the following categories:

U STEMS		
andar	to walk, go around	anduv-
tener	to have	tuv-
estar	to be	estuv-
poder	to be able to	pud-
poner	to put, place	pus-
saber	to know (<i>how to, facts</i>)	sup-

■ These verbs use special endings. They are a mixture of –ar, –er, and –ir endings. The endings do not have accents.

I STEMS		
hacer	to do, make	hic-/hiz-
querer	to want	quis-
venir	to come	vin-

PRONOUNS	ENDINGS
yo	-e
tú	-iste
él, ella, Ud.	-o
nosotros (-as)	-imos
ellos, ellas, Uds.	-ieron
<i>J-stem verbs only</i>	<i>-eron</i>

J STEMS		
traer	to bring	traj-
decir*	to say, tell	dij-
conducir	to drive	conduj-
producir	to produce	produj-
traducir	to translate	traduj-

NOTE *Decir* has I and J stem. All –cir verbs have J stems.