

Unit 17 - Principal Parts of Verbs

Lesson 1 - Finding Principal Parts

Activity

- Have students help you make one abbreviated version of their verb posters on the board.
List only the first singular of **to see** in each of the twelve variations of tenses.
Pick out all of the different forms in which the main part of the verb appears. On their posters these will all be in one color. see, seeing, saw, seen
- Give a name to each form. see: comes directly from the infinitive seeing: the present participle saw: the simple past (it uses no helping verbs) seen: the past participle
- Substitute the verb to kill in this chart on the board and do the same thing. How many different forms of kill appear? kill, killing, killed
- So the simple past and the past participle are identical.

Activity

- Make two columns of principal parts on the board, one regular and one irregular.
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Homework

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Terms

principle parts