

Los participios irregulares El presente perfecto

There are twelve irregular past participles in the perfect tense.

Infinitive	Meaning	Past participle	Meaning
Decir	To say, tell	dicho	said
Hacer	To do, make	hecho	made, done
Ver	To see	visto	seen
Escribir	To write	escrito	written
Poner	To put, to place	puesto	put, placed
Romper	To break	roto	broken
Volver	To return to a place	vuelto	returned
Devolver	To return something	devuelto	returned
Morir	To die	muerto	died
Abrir	To open	abierto	opened
Cubrir	To cover	cubierto	covered

*Verbs that come from verbs with irregular past participles maintain the irregularity.

posponer
descubrir

pospuesto
descubierto

The irregular past participles are used in the exact same way as the regular present participles. We combine the helping verb “haber” with the appropriate participle.

he		
has		
ha	PLUS	past participle
hemos		
han		

Nosotros hemos roto la taza.

We have broken the cup.

La profesora ha dicho la verdad sobre el problema.

The teacher has told the truth about the problem.

Mi padre ha abierto el capó del carro.

My father has opened the hood of the car.

Los hijos le han escrito una carta a su madre.

The children have written a letter to their mother.

Yo he vuelto a Colombia.

I have returned to Colombia.

-REMEMBER! Only *haber* is conjugated! The past participle forms **DO NOT** agree in gender and number with the noun.