

# Verbs Exercise

Fill in the blanks with the past or past participle form of the verb given in the brackets.

1. The country is ————— by factions.

teared

tore

torn

2. Once Sydney Smith was asked his name by a servant and found to his dismay that he had ————— his own name.

forget

forgot

forgotten

3. You couldn't have ————— a better day for a drive.

chose

chosen

choosed

4. The old beggar was ————— by a mad dog.

byte

# Verbs Exercise

bitten

5. He ————— the book on the table.

lay

laid

lain

6. Walking through the jungle he ————— on a snake.

treaded

trode

troded

7. He ————— a hasty retreat on the arrival of a policeman.

beat

beated

beaten

8. You must reap what you have —————

sow

# Verbs Exercise

sown  
sowed

9. His voice ————— as he spoke.

shook  
shaken  
shaked

10. His path was not ————— with flowers but he persevered.

strawn  
strewn  
strewed

11. The explorers were ————— to death.

froze  
frozen  
freezed

12. His voice ————— to a whisper.

sink

# Verbs Exercise

sank

sunk

## Answers

1. The country is torn by factions.
2. Once Sydney Smith was asked his name by a servant and found to his dismay that he had forgotten his own name.
3. You couldn't have chosen a better day for a drive.
4. The old beggar was bitten by a mad dog.
5. He laid the book on the table.
6. Walking through the jungle he trod on a snake.
7. He beat a hasty retreat on the arrival of a policeman.
8. You must reap what you have sown.
9. His voice shook as he spoke.
10. His path was not strewn with flowers but he persevered.
11. The explorers were frozen to death.
12. His voice sank to a whisper.

## Notes

The past participle form is used after be (is / am / are / was / were) and have (has / have / had). The past tense form is used in other cases.