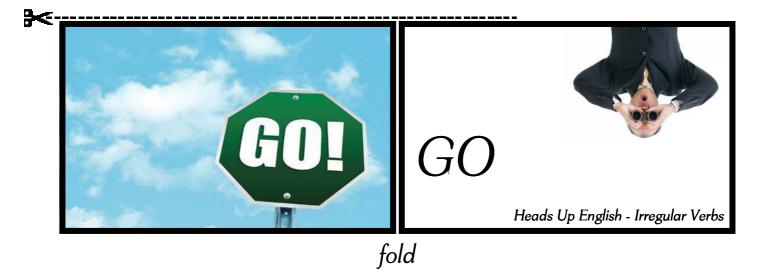
## Skill Builders: Grammar - Irregular Verbs Flashcards Lower-Intermediate

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

These flashcards have been designed with a front (the picture) and a back (the vocabulary word). This encourages students to associate an image with the vocabulary word, which leads to better retention. Students won't just read the word. There are twenty cards, representing some of the more often used irregular verbs.

When preparing the materials, it's recommended that each card be folded and taped. However, just the picture may be used, in which case cut and remove the back of the card. For long-term use, laminate the cards.



## **IDEAS**

Flashcards are an important tool for teachers. They allow a variety of flexible activities to reinforce the language and to apply it. Some ideas to use with the flashcards include:

1. The teacher holds up the card as a prompt. The class says the word together. To ensure accurate pronunciation, the teacher should next say the word, and the class repeats it. The teacher may also use the word to prompt a sentence around a particular grammar point.

2. Pair up the students, and distribute a set of flashcards to each pair. Student A draws a card and asks a question based on the image. Student B answers.

3. Distribute three to five cards to a pair or group of students. Students must construct a story with some to all of the cards, focusing on a particular grammar point. Students then present the story.

4. Take five cards and place them outside the classroom or on a table at the back. Pair up students. Student A must go to the cards, look at the cards, and report the information in complete sentences *and* in the correct order. If he/she forgets one piece of information, he/she will need to go and take another look. Student B should write all the sentences, and then confirm the information.

## For more ideas, visit: <u>www.headsupenglish.com</u>







