## The preterit tense (El pretérito)

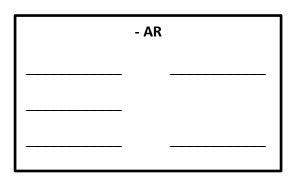
- The preterit is one of **2 past tenses** in Spanish.
- To **conjugate** in the preterit follow these two steps:

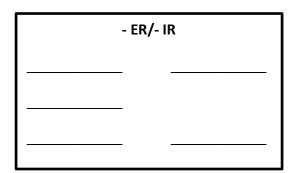
1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

(There are no stem changers for -ar/-er verbs, there are for -ir verbs)

## **Preterit Endings**





• The preterit is often translated as:

\_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.

Ejemplos: yo bailé – I danced, I did dance

tú vendiste – you sold, you did sell

ella corrió – she ran, she did run

nosotros recibimos – we received, we did receive

 Unfortunately there are MANY IRREGULAR VERBS in the preterit tense that will just have to be memorized!

