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# | The Verbs PISATI and NAPISATI

The verb *pisati* (to write) changes its form a little bit when we conjugate the verb. Look at the table.

| **PISATI** |
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| **SINGULAR** | **PLURAL** |
| [(audio)](https://croatian.takolako.org/wp-content/uploads/PISEM.mp3) | ja  | pi-**š**-em | [(audio)](https://croatian.takolako.org/wp-content/uploads/PISEMO.mp3) | mi  | pi-**š**-emo |
| [(audio)](https://croatian.takolako.org/wp-content/uploads/PISES.mp3) | ti  | pi-**š**-eš | [(audio)](https://croatian.takolako.org/wp-content/uploads/PISETE.mp3) | vi  | pi-**š**-ete |
| [(audio)](https://croatian.takolako.org/wp-content/uploads/PISE.mp3) | on/-a/-o  | pi-**š**-e | [(audio)](https://croatian.takolako.org/wp-content/uploads/PISU.mp3) | oni/-e/-a  | pi-**š**-u |

### Pisati

When we use the verb *pisati* in the past tense, the form is regular, with no changes. For example: *Mario je pisao email. Sandra je pisala e-mail*.

### Napisati

The verb *pisati* (imperfective form – ongoing, repetitive action) has its perfective aspectual pair. The verb *napisati* is the perfective form (completed, one-time action) also with the meaning of to write. Look at the following sentences to understand the differences better.

| **Imperfective: repetitive, ongoing** | **Perfective form: one-time, completed** |
| --- | --- |
| Mario je pisao email cijeli dan.  | Jesi li napisala CV? – Da! Jesam. Napokon. |
| Mario was writing an email the entire day. | Did you finish writing your CV? Yes! I did. Finally.  |
| Sandra je pisala CV satima. | Kad napišem e-email, idem kod Matije.  |
| Sandra was writing her CV for hours.  | When I finish writing my email, I’ll go to see Matija.  |

# | The Verbs SLATI and POSLATI

The verb *slati* (to send) changes its form a little bit when we conjugate it. Look at the table.

| **SLATI** |
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| **SINGULAR** | **PLURAL** |
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| [(audio)](https://croatian.takolako.org/wp-content/uploads/SALJES.mp3) | ti  | ša-lj-eš | [(audio)](https://croatian.takolako.org/wp-content/uploads/SALJETE.mp3) | vi  | ša-lj-ete |
| [(audio)](https://croatian.takolako.org/wp-content/uploads/SALJE.mp3) | on/-a/-o  | ša-lj-e | [(audio)](https://croatian.takolako.org/wp-content/uploads/SALJU.mp3) | oni/-e/-a  | ša-lj-u |

### Slati

When we use the verb *slati* in the past Tense, the form is regular, with no changes. For example: *James je slao email e-mail roditeljima svaki tjedan*. *Ines je slala e-mail prijateljici u Italiju svaki mjesec*.

### Poslati

The verb *slati* (imperfective form – ongoing, repetitive action) also has its perfective aspectual pair. The verb *poslati* is the perfective form (completed, one-time action) also with the meaning of to send. Look at the following sentences to understand the differences better.

| **Imperfective: repetitive, ongoing** | **Perfective form: one-time, completed** |
| --- | --- |
| Mario, što radiš? – Šaljem e-mail profesoru? | Ines, jesi li poslala CV i molbu za posao? |
| Mario, what are you doing? – Sending an email to my professor.  | Ines, did you send your CV and cover letter for the job? |
| Kako su tvoji roditelji? Pričate li često? – Rijetko pričamo, često im šaljem e-mail. | James planira večeras poslati e-mail roditeljima.  |
| How are your parents? Do you talk often? – Rarely we talk, mostly I’m sending them an email.  | James is planning to send an email to his parents tonight.  |

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