

Lesson 167: Lie vs. Lay

In the present tense, lie is what you do to yourself, and lay is what you do to something else. Fill in these blanks with lie or lay:

I _____ on my bed to rest.

A chicken _____s an egg.

In the past tense, lie becomes lay, and lay becomes laid. Fill in these blanks with lie, lay, or laid:

I want to _____ down for a nap.

Last week I _____ out the pattern for the dress.

I need to _____ out the schedule for everyone to see.

He _____ there for hours yesterday.

See if you can figure out the correct word for each blank.

My cat is _____ in the light.

- laying lying

She often _____ there.

- lies lays

I _____ my toothbrush on the sink.

- lay laid

The US _____ to the north of Mexico.

- lies lays