

4B GRAMMAR present perfect or past simple?

a Write sentences in the present perfect.

1 you / ever eat / octopus
Have you ever eaten octopus?

2 I / never fly / in a helicopter
I have never flown in a...

3 she / ever be / late for work
She's never been late....?

4 he / not buy / any expensive clothes
He hasn't bought any expensive...

5 she / meet / a lot of famous people
She's met a lot of...

6 we / never see / a Spike Lee film
We've never seen a Spike Lee...

7 she / win / a lot of prizes for her novels
She's won a lot of prizes...

8 you / ever lose / a credit card
Have you ever lost a...?

9 I / never work / in a shop or a restaurant
I've never worked in a shop...

10 you / ever sell / something on eBay
Have you ever sold something...

11 he / fall off / his bike five times
He's fallen off his bike...

12 I / not read / any of The Lord of the Rings books
I haven't read any of...

b Complete the dialogues with the correct form of the verb: present perfect or past simple.



A 'Have you ever been (ever / go) to an auction?

B Yes, I ² have. I ³ went (go) to one about two years ago.

A ⁴ Did you buy (buy) anything?

B Yes, I ⁵ bought (buy) a necklace.

A How much ⁶ did you pay (pay) for it?

B A fortune! But I ⁷ ve worn (wear) it a lot. I love it.



A ⁸ Have you ever heard (ever / hear) the group Muse?

B No, I ⁹ haven't. What kind of music do they play?

A Rock music. I ¹⁰ saw (see) them in concert last month.

B ¹¹ Was (be) it a good concert?

A Yes, I really ¹² liked (like) it.

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c Practise the dialogues in b with a partner. Then ask each other questions beginning *Have you ever been to...* (place)? and *Have you ever heard the group...* (a song or a musician)? and have short conversations.

7 Present Perfect with just, already, yet

- 1 We use **just** with the Present Perfect to talk about things that happened a short time before now:

have + just + PAST PARTICIPLE

It has just finished.

Could I speak to Jane, please? ~ I'm afraid she has just left.

(= She left a short time ago.)

Is that a good book? ~ I don't know. I've just started it.

(= I started it a short time before now.)

- 2 Look at this example with **already**:

Do you want something to eat? ~ No thanks, I've already eaten. (= I ate before now.)

We use **already** with the Present Perfect to emphasize that something happened before now, or before it was expected to happen.

We use **already** like this:

have + already + PAST PARTICIPLE

I've already heard that story.

Here is another example:

Nicola: *Is Sarah going to phone you later?*

Robert: *No. She's (= She has) already phoned me.*

(= Sarah phoned before Nicola expected her to phone.)

- 3 We use **yet** with a negative verb to say that something has not happened, but we think that it will happen:



The post hasn't arrived yet. (= The post has not arrived, but it probably will arrive.)

I haven't finished this work yet. (= I haven't finished this work, but I will finish it.)

They haven't replied to my letter yet.

We use **yet** in questions to ask whether something, that we expect to happen, has happened:

Have you paid the bill yet? (= Perhaps you have not paid the bill, but you are going to pay it soon.)

Has it stopped raining yet? (= Perhaps it has not stopped raining, but it will stop raining soon.)

Have you found a job yet?

Notice that we usually put **yet** at the end of a negative statement or question:

They haven't replied to my letter yet.

Have you found a job yet?

Practice

- A Complete the dialogues, using **just** and the words in brackets (). Use the Present Perfect.

0 A: What's happening in this programme?

B: I don't know. It's just started (It/start).

1 A: I've just come back (I/come) back from my holiday.

B: Did you have a good time?

2 A: Could I have a copy of *Sports World*, please?

B: Sorry. I've just sold (I/sell) the last copy.

3 A: How's Lucy?

B: She's very happy. She's just finished (She/finish) her exams.

4 A: I've just had (I/have) a letter from Mike.

B: Oh yes? What did he say?

5 A: Have you heard from Alison and Frank recently?

B: Yes, they've just moved (they/move) to another town.

- 6 A: Have you still got the same car?
 B: No, I've just bought (I/buy) a new one.
- 7 A: Would you like something to eat?
 B: No, thanks. I've just had (I/have) breakfast.

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The game hasn't finished yet.
- 6 (I / have / lunch) already
I've ~~had~~ already had lunch.
- 7 (He / spend / all his money) already
He's already spent all his money.

C Complete the conversation using *just*, *already* or *yet* and the words in brackets (). Put the verbs into the Present Perfect.

- Julia: Are you having a good time here?
 Anna: Yes, I haven't been here long, and ⁰ I've already visited (I / visit) a lot of interesting places.
- Julia: ¹ Have you visited yet (you / visit / the Art Gallery /?)
 Anna: No, ² I haven't done that yet (I / not / do / that), but I'm going to do it.
- Julia: What about the theatre? ³ Have you seen a play yet (you / see / a play /?)
 Anna: No, but ⁴ I have ^{read} booked a ticket (I / book / a ticket) for one. It's called *The Friends*. I rang the theatre five minutes ago. Would you like to come with me?
- Julia: Thanks, but ⁵ I've ~~seen~~ already seen (I / see / that play). I saw it last month.
- Anna: ⁶ I've just read (I / read) in the newspaper that *The Adventurers* are giving a concert next week. Do you think it will be good?
- Julia: Yes. ⁷ They've just made (they / make) a really good, new record. It came out a couple of days ago.
- Anna: Will I be able to get a ticket?
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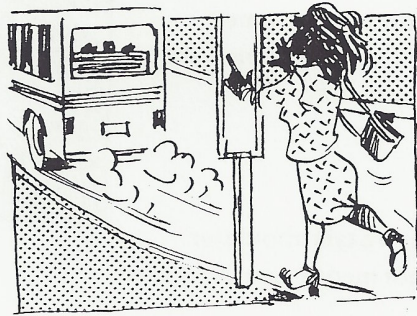
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- There is a list of irregular verbs on page 237.

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Match the pictures 1) to 6) with the sentences a) to f).

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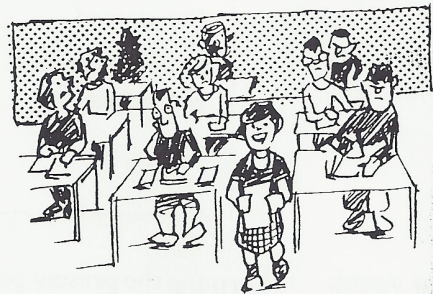
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- a) I've broken my pencil.
- b) I've left my homework at home.
- c) I've been to Italy.
- d) I've finished!
- e) I've missed the bus.
- f) I've seen this film.

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Put the verbs in brackets into the present perfect.

- a) Harry (do) *has done* the housework.
 b) Kate and Bill (find) *have found* a new flat.
 c) Nick (write) *has written* a book.
 d) We (decide) *have decided* to start jogging.
 e) Sam and Dave (eat) *have eaten* all the sandwiches.
 f) Carlos (buy) *has bought* a dog.
 g) Maria and Helen (start) *have started* at a new school.
 h) Frances (break) *has broken* her cup.
 i) I (lose) *have lost* my umbrella.
 j) Max (take) *has taken* the dog for a walk.

3

Complete each sentence with *has/have* and a participle from the box.

broken bought eaten finished found
 happened left lost taken written

- a) My dog *has eaten* my sandwich!
 b) Helen *has lost* her bag.
 c) I'm sorry. I *'ve broken* your pen.
 d) Where's my dictionary? Someone *has taken* it!
 e) We're too late. The programme *has finished*
 f) Tina isn't here. She *has left*
 g) There is water on the floor! What *has happened*?
 h) I *have found* your book! Here it is!
 i) Jack *has written* five letters.
 j) I *have bought* some new shoes. Do you like them?

4

Complete each sentence with the present perfect form of one of the verbs in the box.

arrive decide have make miss
 phone read see spend wash

- a) Oh no! That's the last bus, and we *have missed* it.
 b) (you) *have you read* any James Bond books? They're really good.
 c) I haven't got any more money. I *have spent* all of it!
 d) I *'ve had* an idea! Let's go to *Big Burger's*!
 e) We know what we want. We *'ve decided* to have pizza.
 f) Your hair looks terrible! (you) *have you* it? *washed*
 g) Hurry up, Carol. Your taxi *has arrived* It's waiting outside.
 h) I'm sorry I (not) *haven't phoned* the travel agent. I've been very busy.
 i) (you) *have you seen* *Titanic*? It's my favourite film.
 j) Read this again. You *have made* some mistakes.

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