

PET MINI LESSON 2

LET' S LEARN ABOUT:
PRESENT PERFECT



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We use the present perfect to connect the present with the past.

POSITIVE/NEGATIVE FORMS		
I/You/We/They	have/'ve	finished work.
	have not/ haven't	
He/She/It	has/'s	finished work.
	has not/hasn't	

QUESTION FORMS AND SHORT ANSWERS		
Have	I/you/we/they	finished work?
Has	he/she/it	finished work?
Yes,	I/you/we/they	have.
	he/she/it	has.
No,	I/you/we/they	haven't.
	he/she/it	hasn't.

The present perfect is formed with the correct form of *have* in the present and the past participle of the main verb. The past participle of regular verbs and some irregular verbs is the same as the past simple. The past participle is underlined in the examples below.

PAST SIMPLE	PRESENT PERFECT
I finished work.	I have finished work.
He read some novels by Dickens.	He has read some novels by Dickens.

Some irregular verbs have past participles which are not the same as the past simple form.

PAST SIMPLE	PRESENT PERFECT
She ate her lunch.	She has eaten her lunch.
She wrote a letter.	She has written a letter.

We use the present perfect to talk about:

- past experiences which refer to an unstated time in the past, often with *ever* and *never*.
*Anna **has been** to a concert, but she **has never been** to a pop festival.*
- recent past actions.
***Have** you **seen** that new musical yet?*

- something which started in the past and is connected with the present.
*Ed **has broken** his leg, so he can't play football this weekend.*
- something which started in the past and is still true.
*Ben and Karen **have lived** in London for seven years.*

ACTIVITIES!

1. I _____ (NEVER / VISIT) JAPAN, BUT I'D LOVE TO GO THERE.
2. SHE _____ (JUST / FINISH) HER HOMEWORK.
3. WE _____ (NOT / SEE) EACH OTHER SINCE LAST SUMMER.
4. HE _____ (WRITE) THREE BOOKS ABOUT HIS ADVENTURES.
5. THEY _____ (BE) MARRIED FOR TEN YEARS NOW.
6. YOU _____ (ALWAYS / WANT) TO LEARN TO PLAY THE PIANO.
7. IT _____ (NOT / RAIN) SINCE LAST MONTH.
8. I _____ (LOSE) MY KEYS. CAN YOU HELP ME FIND THEM?
9. SHE _____ (NOT / EAT) ANYTHING SINCE THIS MORNING.
10. WE _____ (TRAVEL) TO SEVERAL COUNTRIES IN EUROPE.

ANSWERS

1. I HAVE NEVER VISITED JAPAN, BUT I'D LOVE TO GO THERE.
2. SHE HAS JUST FINISHED HER HOMEWORK.
3. WE HAVE NOT SEEN EACH OTHER SINCE LAST SUMMER.
4. HE HAS WRITTEN THREE BOOKS ABOUT HIS ADVENTURES.
5. THEY HAVE BEEN MARRIED FOR TEN YEARS NOW.
6. YOU HAVE ALWAYS WANTED TO LEARN TO PLAY THE PIANO.
7. IT HAS NOT RAINED SINCE LAST MONTH.
8. I HAVE LOST MY KEYS. CAN YOU HELP ME FIND THEM?
9. SHE HAS NOT EATEN ANYTHING SINCE THIS MORNING.
10. WE HAVE TRAVELED TO SEVERAL COUNTRIES IN EUROPE.