

## EXTRA PRACTICE: PRESENT PERFECT vs PAST SIMPLE.

Remember:

PAST SIMPLE	PRESENT PERFECT
<p>- we use the past simple to talk about actions that happened at a specific point in the past.</p> <p>- Past time expressions: <i>I <u>lived</u> here <b>last year</b>.</i> <i>I <u>was</u> in Paris <b>two months ago</b></i> <i><u>Did you send</u> the letter <b>yesterday</b>?</i> <i><b>When</b> <u>did you go</u> to Thailand?</i> <i>I <u>bought</u> a souvenir <b>when</b> we went to the cathedral</i></p>	<p>- we use the present perfect to talk about:</p> <p>1) actions that started in the past and continue in the present <i>- I <u>have lived</u> here <b>since 2008</b>.</i></p> <p>2) actions that happened in the past, but we don't say when they started or finished (or we don't know when) <i>- I've read two of the Harry Potter books.</i></p> <p>- Present perfect time expressions: <i>I <u>have never</u> read mystery novels.</i> <i>We <u>have been</u> friends <b>since 2010/for 10</b> years.</i> <i>She <u>has just</u> finished the activities.</i> <i>He <u>hasn't been</u> to Paris <b>yet</b>.</i></p>

- Complete with the past simple or present perfect form of the verbs in brackets.

1. That man \_\_\_\_\_ (get) on the train ten minutes ago.
2. We \_\_\_\_\_ (be) on the coach for six hours now.
3. How \_\_\_\_\_ (you/feel) when you reached the top of the mountain?
4. James \_\_\_\_\_ (work) in Australia since 2008.
5. We \_\_\_\_\_ (buy) a guidebook when we were in the cathedral.

- Complete the conversation with the past simple or present perfect form of the verbs in brackets.

- Lisa:** \_\_\_\_\_ (you/ever/see) any of the Natural Wonders of the World?  
**Ben:** Yes, I have! I \_\_\_\_\_ (visit) the Grand Canyon in the USA.  
**Lisa:** Really? When \_\_\_\_\_ (you/go) there?  
**Ben:** I \_\_\_\_\_ (go) last year when I was visiting my uncle in Las Vegas. They \_\_\_\_\_ (live) there for two years.  
**Lisa:** What was it like?  
**Ben:** It was amazing. It's the best experience I \_\_\_\_\_ (ever/have). I \_\_\_\_\_ (take) hundreds of photos when I was there!