

PAST SIMPLE VS PRESENT PERFECT.

Watch this **USEFUL VIDEO** AND DO THE **ACTIVITIES BELOW**:

1) Write QUESTIONS with "How long...+ present perfect?" and "When...+ past simple ?". Follow the example:

Example: It is raining. (how long / it / rain?) *How long has it been raining?.....*
(when / it / start / raining?) *When did it start raining?.....*

- 1. Ann is studying Italian.
(how long / she / study / Italian?)
(when / she / begin / studying Italian?)
- 2. I know Tom.
(how long / you / know / Tom?)
(when / you / first / meet / Tom?)
- 3. Glen and Mary are married.
(how long / they / be / married?)
(when / they / get / married?)

2) Are the underlined parts of the sentence RIGHT or WRONG. Correct ones that are WRONG. Follow the example.

Examples: Have you heard? Suzanne has gotten married! *RIGHT.....*
The Chinese have invented printing. *WRONG: invented*

- 1. Who has written the play *Hamlet*?
- 2. Aristotle has been a Greek philosopher.
- 3. Ow! I've cut my finger. It's bleeding.
- 4. My grandparents got married in Montreal.
- 5. Einstein was the physicist who has developed the theory of relativity.
- 6. Abraham Lincoln was President of the U.S. from 1861 to 1865.
- 7. The U.S. has bought Alaska from Russia in 1867.
- 8. Jill bought a new car two weeks ago.
- 9. Have you visited many museums when you were in Paris?
- 10. When did you give up smoking?
- 11. My bicycle isn't here. Somebody has taken it.
- 12. I haven't eaten anything yesterday because I haven't been hungry.

3) Make sentences using the word given. Follow the example.

Examples: (I / smoke / 20 cigarettes yesterday) *I smoked 20 cigarettes yesterday...*
(how many cigarettes / you / smoke / today?)
How many cigarettes have you smoked today?.....

- 1. (I / be / sick twice so far this year) I
- 2. (how many times / be / you / sick last year?) How many times
- 3. (I / not / drink / any coffee so far today)
- 4. (he / be / late three times this week)
- 5. (how many games / the team / win / last season?)
- 6. (how many games / the team / win / so far this season?)

4) Put the verbs into the correct form: PRESENT PERFECT or SIMPLE PAST

Example: I ...~~di.dn't..ply~~..... (not/play) golf when I was on vacation last summer.

1. Mr. Clark (work) in a bank for 15 years. Then he gave it up.
2. George lives in Athens. He (live) there all his life.
3. Bob and Alice are married. They (be) married for 20 years.
4. When we were on vacation, the weather (be) terrible.
5. The weather (be) very nice lately.
6. My grandfather died 30 years ago. I (never/meet) him.
7. I don't know Carol's husband. I (never/meet) him.