

I've just ... I've already ... I haven't ... yet

(present perfect 2)

A I've just ...



They **have just arrived**.

just = a short time ago

- A: Are Diane and Paul here?
B: Yes, they've **just arrived**.
- A: Are you hungry?
B: No, I've **just had** dinner.
- A: Is Tom here?
B: No, I'm afraid he's **just gone**.
(= he **has just gone**)

B I've already ...



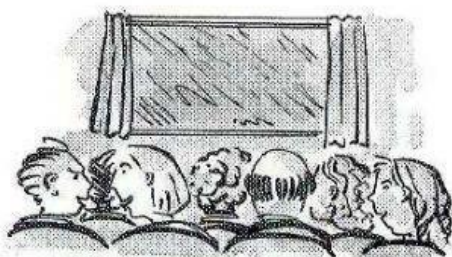
already = before you expected / before I expected

- A: What time are Diane and Paul coming?
B: They've **already arrived**. (= before you expected)
- It's only nine o'clock and Ann **has already gone** to bed. (= before I expected)
- A: John, this is Mary.
B: Yes, I know. We've **already met**.

C I haven't ... yet / Have you ... yet?

yet = until now

You can use **yet** in *negative sentences* and *questions*. **Yet** is usually *at the end*.



The film **hasn't started yet**.

yet in *negative sentences*:

- A: Are Diane and Paul here?
B: No, they **haven't arrived yet**.
(but B expects Diane and Paul to arrive soon)
- A: Does John know that you're going away?
B: No, I **haven't told him yet**.
(but B is going to tell him soon)
- Margaret has bought a new dress but she **hasn't worn it yet**.

yet in *questions*:

- A: **Have** Diane and Paul **arrived yet**?
B: No, not yet. We're still waiting for them.
- A: **Has** Linda **started** her new job **yet**?
B: No, she starts next week.
- A: This is my new dress.
B: Oh, it's nice. **Have** you **worn** it **yet**?



EXERCISES

16.1 Write a sentence with **just** for each picture.



- 1 They've just arrived.
2 He
3 They
4 The race

16.2 Complete the sentences. Use **already** + present perfect.

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| 1 What time is Paul arriving? | He's already arrived. |
| 2 Do Sue and Bill want to see the film? | No, they it. |
| 3 Don't forget to phone Tom. | I |
| 4 When is Martin going away? | He |
| 5 Do you want to read the newspaper? | I |
| 6 When does Linda start her new job? | She |

16.3 Write a sentence with **just** (They've just ... / She's just ... etc.) or a negative sentence with **yet** (They haven't ... yet / She hasn't ... yet etc.).

1 I'm going out soon. a few minutes ago (she / go / out) She hasn't gone out yet.	2 a few minutes ago (the bus / go) The bus	3 a few minutes ago (the bus / go)
4 This present is for me. a few minutes ago (he / open / it)	5 a few minutes ago (they / finish / their dinner)	6 a few minutes ago (it / stop / raining)

16.4 Write questions with **yet**.

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| 1 Your friend has got a new job. Perhaps she has started it. You ask her:
Have you started your new job yet? | 3 Your friend must write a letter. Perhaps she has written it now. You ask her:
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| 2 Your friend has some new neighbours. Perhaps he has met them. You ask him:
..... you | 4 Tom was trying to sell his car. Perhaps he has sold it now. You ask a friend about Tom:
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