**Present perfect**

**Read the text and fill in the blanks by using the corresponding form of the verbs in parentheses. Use either simple past or present perfect. Consider using negative forms when necessary.**

I think I _____ **(have)** a very interesting life. I'm 73 now, and I don't work anymore. I _____ **(be)** in the army for 51 years. I _____ **(retire)** when I was 69. I live in a small town in Luissiana. I _____ **(live)** here for the last 20 years.

I _____ **(be)** to so many countries that I can't remember all of them. I _____ **(visit)** Australia six or seven times and South Africa three times. I _____ **(go)** to Russia in 2000, but I _____ **(not / like)** it at all - too much cold for me! I _____ **(never / be)** to Scandinavian countries, but I would like to. I _____ **(travel)** since I _____ **(visit)** my children last month.

They say that love is the greatest thing and I agree. However, I don't think women really understand me! I _____ **(be)** married four times so far, but I _____ **(find)** my soul mate yet.

I _____ **(be)** on television, but I _____ **(be)** on the radio about twenty years ago. It was a programme about life in the military. I _____ **(meet)** the Prime Minister on the same day. Actually, I _____ **(meet)** a lot of famous people: members of the royal family, famous politicians and also famous cinema and television personalities. I

_____ **(never / meet)** the American President, though, which is a pity.

Because I _____ **(travel)** a lot, I _____ **(see)** a lot of wonderful things, and I _____ **(also / eat)** some strange foods. I _____ **(eat)** cat and rat in India.

I _____**(just/ eat)** my special meal, which my army friend _____ **(send)** me in the morning. He _____ **(send)** me this meal for weeks, and I always send him back my special drink. On Tuesday, I _____ **(repair)** my old gun. It _____ **(rain)** a lot this week, so I _____ **(be able to go)** to the post office to send it to my buddy.

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