

SONG OF THE PRESENT PERFECT

The song of the _____ has come here to say you're fine
if you use it for something that _____ in the past
that's still going at the _____ time

Like when I say "I've _____ your friend for years"
It means we _____ some years ago and we're still friends, my dear

The song of the _____ has come here to say: hey man
you can use it for something that happened in the past
...but you don't need to explain _____ when

Like when I say: "I've _____ to the UK"
It means I _____ there in the past but you don't _____ what day

In the last few minutes I have _____ this tune somehow
You have _____ a minute of this song up to now
I have _____ my words and I don't know what I can say
I hope I've _____ myself quite clear, with it now you can play

The song of the present perfect has come here to tell you that
You can use it at the time when a thing takes place
but its time hasn't finished yet

Like when you say "I've _____ outside today"
The night has not come yet - it's the same day,
so you can use it, mate!

Finally the present perfect is really handy (and not a crime)
when the action of the verb you are using has
some _____ in the present time

Like when I say, "Hey look what I have _____!"
I have just finished writing you this song and you can hear it now!

In the last few minutes I have sung this tune somehow
You have heard two minutes of this song up to now
and after all of this I hope that you haven't got bored
and the present perfect for you is not a problem anymore