

present perfect

- 1 A Have you seen his new film?
B Yes, I've seen all his films.
She hasn't read any Harry Potter books.
- 2 Have you ever read a Russian novel?
Sarah's never worked in a big company.
- 3 Have you finished the exercise?
Your parents have arrived. They're in the living room.

- 1 We use the present perfect when we talk or ask about things that have happened in the past, but when we don't say when.
- 2 We often use the present perfect with *ever* (= at any time in your life) and *never* (= at no time in your life).
- 3 We also use the present perfect to talk about something that has recently happened.

	full form of have	contraction	past participle of main verb
+	I have You have He / She / It has We have They have	I've You've He / She / It's We've They've	seen that film.
-	I have not You have not He / She / It has not We have not They have not	I haven't You haven't He / She / It hasn't We haven't They haven't	

?	Have Has	I / you / we / they he / she / it	seen that film?
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✓	Yes,	I / you / we / they he / she / it	have. has.
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✗	No,	I / you / we / they he / she / it	haven't. hasn't.
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- To make the present perfect use *have / has* + the past participle of the verb.
- 's = *has* in present perfect.
- Past participles of regular verbs are the same as the past simple.

infinitive	past simple	past participle
like	liked	liked
want	wanted	wanted

- Past participles of irregular verbs are sometimes the same as the past simple, e.g. *read*, but sometimes different, e.g. *seen*.

infinitive	past simple	past participle
read /ri:d/	read /red/	read /red/
see	saw	seen

(There is a list of irregular past participles on p.165)

- a Write the sentences with contractions.

I have seen the film. I've seen the film.

- She has not read the book.
- You have not washed the dishes.
- We have done the housework.
- He has been ill.
- They have not eaten Japanese food before.

- b Write +, -, and ? sentences in the present perfect.

+ I / meet a famous actor.
I've met a famous actor.

- + I / forget your name
- my boyfriend / wear his new shirt
- ? you / speak to your boss
- they / do their homework
- ? your brother / work in New York
- + the train / leave the station
- we / take any photos
- ? the children / eat all the biscuits
- my girlfriend / call me today
- + Janet / leave her book at home

- c Write a sentence in the present perfect for each picture. Use the verbs in the box.

break buy fall go read win



They've won the cup.

- _____ his leg.
- _____ to the beach.
- _____ off his motorbike.
- _____ the newspaper.
- _____ a new car.