

Present perfect

1. Read the sentences about Smart Alec's day. What has or hasn't he done? Use the verbs in brackets to finish the sentences.

Example: *He's wearing a new pair of shoes. He **has bought**... some shoes. (buy)*

- a) He's hungry. He lunch. (have)
- b) He's looking at some new photos. He some photos. (take)
- c) His computer is off. He the computer. (switch on)
- d) His car is very clean. He the car. (wash)
- e) It's hot in his office. He the window. (open)
- f) He doesn't know where Sue is. He her. (see)
- g) He's going to the post office. He some letters. (write)

2. Complete the phrases with **for or **since**.**

Example: *since / **for** half an hour*

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| a) one o'clock | b) 12 June |
| c) minutes | d) three days |
| e) six years | f) an hour |
| g) Tuesday | h) yesterday |

3. Complete the sentences. Put the verbs in brackets into the present perfect or the past simple tense.

Example: *I am a writer. I**have written**..... ten books since 2005. I**wrote**..... two books last year. (write)*

- a) Smart Alec (leave) the university seven years ago. He (be) a detective for six years.
- b) The post (not arrive) yet today. It (not arrive) until 11:30 yesterday.
- c) We (have) Mr Lee for History last year, but we (have) Mrs Kay for two months now.
- d) I (see) Jim last Tuesday, but I (not see) him since then.
- e) I'm hungry. I (not eat) anything for five hours now. I only (eat) a sandwich at lunchtime.
- f) Marcia isn't here. She (go) to the shops. She (go/leave) about half an hour ago.