

Present perfect simple / present perfect continuous

Read the sentences and answer the questions:

1. I've only **had** an apple to eat today.

We use the present perfect simple to talk about finished actions with a connection to the present
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2. He **has run** several marathons.

We use present perfect simple to talk about a repeated action that we know will not happen again.
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3. I've **loved** him all my life.
We've **known** each other since we were children.

We use the present perfect simple with stative verbs.
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4. **He's been looking** for a job for the last six months.

We use present perfect continuous to talk about actions that started in the past and continue now, especially when we want to focus on how long something has been going on or how someone has been spending their time.

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5. A. **They've been raising** money for a new children's hospital.
B. **They've raised** over \$100,000 so far.

Sentence A/B focuses on the result of their actions.

Sentence A / B focuses on how they have spent their time.

6. Police **have arrested** three men in connection to the Hatton Garden jewel robbery. They **arrested** the suspects as they **were checking** in for a flight to Spain.

When we talk about the news, we use present perfect / past simple to talk about recent events and their impact. We use present perfect / past simple to talk about the details.