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Grammar

Contrast: past simple and present perfect

I can distinguish the use of the past simple and the present perfect.

1 Choose the correct verb form (a or b) in the sentences.

1 ___ to the west coast of Ireland? It's beautiful.
a Did you ever go b Have you ever been

2 I ___ a lot of interesting cities in my life, but I think New York is my favourite.
a 've visited b visited

3 I ___ Mexican food a few times, but it's too spicy for me.
a 've tried b tried

4 You should get your postcard soon. I ___ it a week ago.
a 've posted b posted

5 My dad ___ about two hundred photos on this holiday so far.
a has taken b took

6 ___ any souvenirs when you were in Canada?
a Have you bought b Did you buy

2 Complete the email. Use the present perfect or past simple form of the verbs in brackets.

To: anna@email.com

Dear Anna,

I'm on a coach tour of Europe with my parents. So far we [1]_____ (visit) two cities – Paris and Amsterdam. We [2]_____ (start) the tour in Paris. [3]_____ you _____ (go) there? It's beautiful. The first day we [4]_____ (go) up the Eiffel Tower. The view was incredible. I [5]_____ (never / see) anything like it.

Now we [6]_____ (arrive) in Florence, in Italy. Yesterday we [7]_____ (explore) the old town on foot. Then we [8]_____ (climb) up the Campanile, which is a really tall tower. There were 414 steps, but it was worth it.

Next, we're going to Rome. I [9]_____ (read) all about it last night and am really looking forward to it. I hope you're enjoying the summer. The weather here [10]_____ (be) fantastic.

Love
Daisy

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3 Complete the sentences with *has / have been, has / have gone* or *went*.

1 Lucy isn't at home. She's *gone* to the sports centre.
2 We haven't had a holiday this year, but last year we _____ to Brazil.
3 We've got plenty of food – I _____ to the supermarket yesterday.
4 She knows Madrid very well. She _____ there lots of times since she moved to Spain.
5 I love water sports. I _____ surfing in lots of different countries.
6 I hope Toby is enjoying the summer. He _____ to Italy for six weeks.

4 Complete the mini-dialogues. Use the correct present perfect or past simple form of the verbs in brackets.

1 A _____ ever _____ (you / have) a holiday in Turkey?
B Yes, I _____ . I _____ (spend) two weeks there last year.
A Which cities _____ (you / visit)?
B Only two. We _____ (start) in Istanbul and then _____ (travel) to Izmir.

2 A _____ ever _____ (you / try) an extreme sport?
B No, I _____ . But I _____ (learn) to ski last winter.
A Really? _____ (you / enjoy) it?
B Yes, I _____ . In fact, yesterday I _____ (book) my next skiing holiday!

3 A _____ ever _____ (you / go) on a coach tour?
B Yes, we _____ . We _____ (go) across the USA by coach last July.
A How long _____ (it / take)?
B Three weeks. We _____ (stop) at lots of interesting places on the way.

4 A _____ ever _____ (you / eat) insects?
B Yes, I _____ . I _____ (buy) a bag of insects as a snack in Thailand. But I _____ (not enjoy) them very much.

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