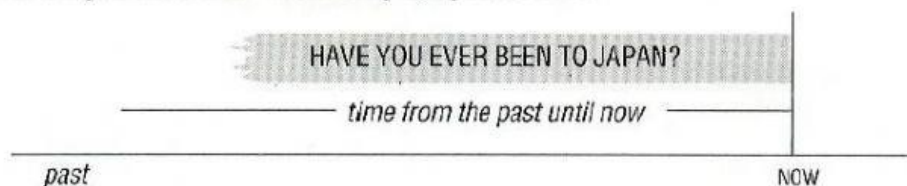


We use the *present perfect* (**have been** / **have had** / **have played** etc.) when we talk about a time from the past until now – for example, a person's life:



**17.1** You are asking Helen questions beginning **Have you ever ...** ? Write the questions.



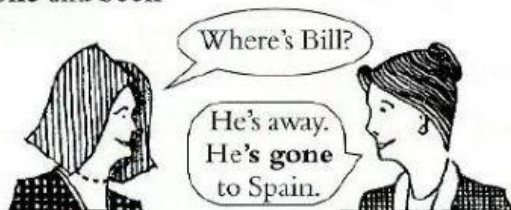
- 1 (London?) Have you ever been to London?
- 2 (play / golf?) Have you ever played golf?
- 3 (Australia?) Have you ever been to Australia?
- 4 (lose / your passport?) Have you ever lost your passport?
- 5 (fly / in a helicopter?) Have you ever flown in a helicopter?
- 6 (eat / Chinese food?) Have you ever eaten Chinese food?
- 7 (New York?) Have you ever been to New York?
- 8 (drive / a bus?) Have you ever driven a bus?
- 9 (break / your leg?) Have you ever broken your leg?

HELEN

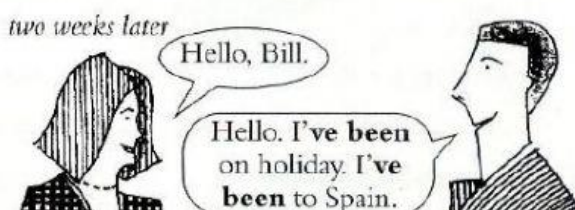


No, never.  
Yes, many times.  
No, never.  
Yes, once.  
No, never.  
Yes, a few times.  
Yes, twice.  
No, never.  
Yes, once.

**gone and been**



Bill **has gone** to Spain.  
(= he is in Spain *now*)



Bill **has been** to Spain.  
(= he went to Spain but *now he is back*)

Put in **gone** or **been**.

- 1 Bill is on holiday at the moment. He's **gone** to Spain.
- 2 'Where's Jill?' 'She's not here. I think she's ..... to the bank.'
- 3 Hello, Sue. Where have you ..... ? Have you ..... to the bank?
- 4 'Have you ever ..... to Mexico?' 'No, never.'
- 5 My parents aren't at home this evening. They've ..... out.
- 6 There's a new restaurant in town. Have you ..... to it?
- 7 Ann knows Paris well. She's ..... there many times.
- 8 Helen was here earlier but I think she's ..... now.

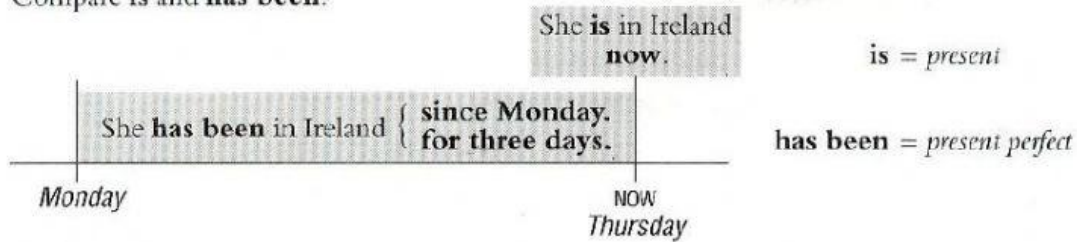
Jill is on holiday in Ireland. She is there now.  
 She arrived in Ireland on Monday.  
 Today is Thursday.

How long **has she been** in Ireland?

She **has been** in Ireland { **since Monday.**  
**for three days.**



Compare **is** and **has been**:



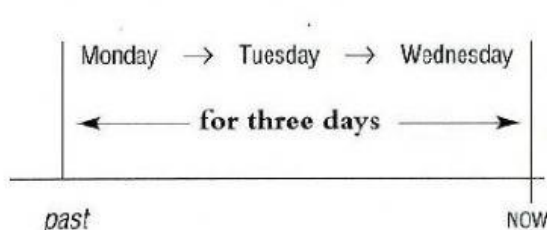
Complete these sentences.

- 1 Jill is in hospital. She has been in hospital since Monday.
- 2 I know Sarah. I have known her for a long time.
- 3 Linda and Frank are married. They have been married since 1989.
- 4 Brian is ill. He has been ill for the last few days.
- 5 We live in Scott Road. We have lived there for ten years.
- 6 Catherine works in a bank. She has been in a bank for five years.
- 7 Alan has a headache. He has had a headache since he got up this morning.

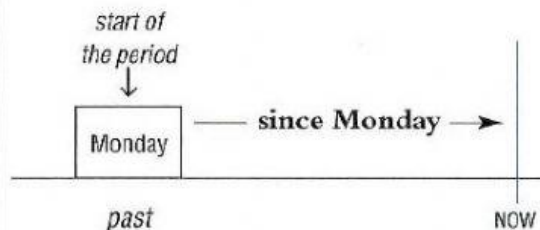
Which is right?

- 1 Mark is / has been in Canada since April. has been is right
- 2 Jane is a good friend of mine. I know / have known her very well.
- 3 Jane is a good friend of mine. I know / have known her for a long time.
- 4 'Sorry I'm late. How long are you / have you been waiting?' 'Not long. Only five minutes.'
- 5 Martin works / has worked in a hotel now. He likes his job very much.
- 6 Linda is reading the newspaper. She is / has been reading it for two hours.
- 7 'How long do you live / have you lived in this house?' 'About ten years.'
- 8 'Is that a new coat?' 'No, I have / I've had this coat for a long time.'
- 9 Tom is / has been in Spain at the moment. He is / has been there for the last three days.

We use **for** + a period of time (**three days** / **two years** etc.):



We use **since** + the start of the period (**Monday** / **9 o'clock** etc.):



Write **for** or **since**.

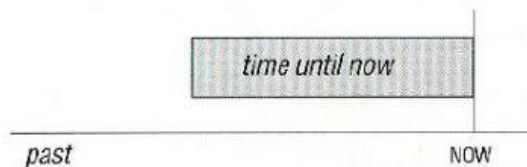
- 1 Jill has been in Ireland since Monday.
- 2 Jill has been in Ireland for three days.
- 3 My aunt has lived in Australia ..... 15 years.
- 4 Margaret is in her office. She has been there ..... 7 o'clock.
- 5 India has been an independent country ..... 1947.
- 6 The bus is late. We've been waiting ..... 20 minutes.
- 7 Nobody lives in those houses. They have been empty ..... many years.
- 8 Mike has been ill ..... a long time. He has been in hospital ..... October.

Complete the sentences with **for** or **since**.

- 1 Jill is in Ireland now. She arrived there three days ago. She has been there for three days.
- 2 Jack is here. He arrived here on Tuesday. He has .....
- 3 It's raining. It started an hour ago. It's been .....
- 4 I know Sue. I first met Sue two years ago. I've .....
- 5 I have a camera. I bought it in 1989. I've .....
- 6 They are married. They got married six months ago.  
They've .....
- 7 Liz is studying medicine at university. She started three years ago.  
She has .....
- 8 Dave plays the piano. He started when he was seven years old.  
Dave has .....

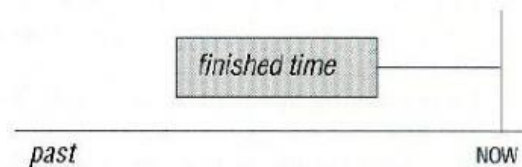
*present perfect*

- I **have lost** my key.  
(= I can't find it *now*)
- Bill **has gone** home.  
(= he isn't here *now*)
- **Have you seen** Ann?  
(= where is she *now*?)



*past simple*

- I **lost** my key **last week**.
- Bill **went** home **ten minutes ago**.
- **Did you see** Ann **on Saturday**?



**Time expressions used with Pres. Perf.**

**just, ever, never, already, yet, always,  
how long, so far, for, since, recently**

**Time expressions used with Past Simple**

**yesterday, last night / week / month /  
year, ago, then, when, in 1972 etc.**

Use the words in brackets (...) to answer the questions.

- 1 Have you seen Ann?
- 2 Have you started your new job?
- 3 Have your friends arrived?
- 4 Has Sarah gone away?
- 5 Have you worn your new shoes?

(5 minutes ago)  
(last week)  
(at 5 o'clock)  
(on Friday)  
(yesterday)

Yes, I saw her 5 minutes ago.  
Yes, I ..... last week.  
Yes, they .....  
Yes, .....  
Yes, .....

Right or wrong? Correct the verbs that are wrong. (The verbs are underlined.)

- 1 I've lost my key. I can't find it.
- 2 Have you seen Ann yesterday?
- 3 I've finished my work at 2 o'clock.
- 4 I'm ready now. I've finished my work.
- 5 What time have you finished your work?
- 6 Sue isn't here. She's gone out.
- 7 Jim's grandmother has died in 1989.
- 8 Where have you been last night?

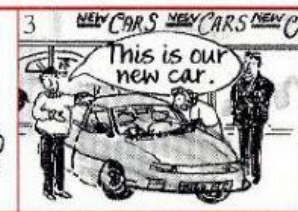
RIGHT

WRONG: Did you see

Put the verb in the present perfect or past simple.

- 1 My friend is a writer. He has written (write) many books.
- 2 We didn't have (not/have) a holiday last year.
- 3 I ..... (play) tennis yesterday afternoon.
- 4 What time ..... (you/go) to bed last night?
- 5 ..... (you/ever/meet) a famous person?
- 6 The weather ..... (not/be) very good yesterday.
- 7 My hair is wet. I ..... (just/wash) it.
- 8 I ..... (wash) my hair before breakfast this morning.
- 9 Kathy travels a lot. She ..... (visit) many countries.
- 10 'Is Sonia here?' 'No, she ..... (not/come) yet.'

Write a sentence with **just** for each picture.



- 1 They've just arrived.
- 2 He .....

- 3 They .....
- 4 The race .....

Complete the sentences. Use **already** + present perfect.

- 1 What time is Paul arriving?
- 2 Do Sue and Bill want to see the film?
- 3 Don't forget to phone Tom.
- 4 When is Martin going away?
- 5 Do you want to read the newspaper?
- 6 When does Linda start her new job?

He's already arrived.

No, they ..... it.  
I .....  
He .....  
I .....  
She .....

## I haven't ... yet / Have you ... yet?

**yet** = until now

You can use **yet** in *negative sentences* and *questions*. **Yet** is usually *at the end*.

**yet** in *negative sentences*:

- A: Are Diane and Paul here?
- B: No, they **haven't arrived yet**.  
        (but B expects Diane and Paul to arrive soon)

**yet** in *questions*:

- A: **Have** Diane and Paul **arrived yet**?
- B: No, not yet. We're still waiting for them.

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|---------------------|---|----------------------------|---|
| 1. tidy the bedroom | ✓ | 6. take the dog for a walk | ✗ |
| 2. clean the floor  | ✗ | 7. iron his clothes        | ✓ |
| 3. wash the dishes  | ✗ | 8. wash his car            | ✓ |
| 4. water the plants | ✗ | 9. tidy the kitchen        | ✗ |
| 5. do the shopping  | ✓ | 10. mend the kettle        | ✗ |

..... He has already tidied the bedroom. ....

..... He hasn't cleaned the floor yet. ....

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