

Signal Words

already

It's used in affirmative sentences. It's placed between the auxiliary verb and the past participle. → *Homework is finished. I've already done it.*

yet

It's used in negative and interrogative sentences. It's placed at the end of the sentence. → *Have you finished your task yet? Not yet, sorry.*

just

It's used in affirmative sentences. It's placed between the auxiliary verb and the past participle. → *Look, he has just arrived. It was five minutes ago.*

still

It's used in negative sentences. It's placed before the auxiliary verb with the Present Perfect. → *She still hasn't seen it.*

ever

It's mostly used in questions. It's placed between the auxiliary verb and the past participle. → *Have you ever eaten snails?*

never

It's used in affirmative sentences – it makes the sentence negative. It's placed between the auxiliary verb and the past participle. → *I've never eaten snails before.*

for

It indicates a period of time. → *I haven't seen him for a year.*

since

It indicates a specific point in time. → *I haven't seen him since Christmas.*

lately / so far

→ *He has bought his car lately. (= recently)*
→ *I've done three exercises so far. (= until now / up to now)*

Present Perfect Simple

1.- Complete the sentences. Use the Present Perfect Simple with already or yet.

- 1) We're too late! The bus ______. (leave)
- 2) I won't have much free time this weekend. I ______. (not do / my art project)
- 3) Can you see the notice board? ______. (the plane / land)?
- 4) Come on! I can hear the band. The concert ______. (start)
- 5) Steve must be in Paris now, but we ______. (not hear / from him)

2.- Complete the sentences. Use verbs in the Present Perfect Simple with just.

- 1) My hair is wet because I _____ a shower.
- 2) Everyone's coming out of the cinema. The film _____.
- 3) Mike and Lisa will be here soon. Their train _____ at the station.
- 4) I'm feeling great! I _____ the first prize in the competition.

3.- Write questions in the Present Perfect Simple with ever. Then complete the short answers.

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| 1) you / taste / Thai food? | 3) the kids / be / to Rome? |
| A: _____ | A: _____ |
| B: No, _____. | B: No, _____. |
| 2) your sister / see / a shark? | 4) Jack / ride / a horse? |
| A: _____ | A: _____ |
| B: Yes, _____. | B: No, _____. |

4.- Complete the sentences with the Present Perfect Simple of the verbs below. Then underline for or since.

not meet • not work • play • spend • study • travel

- 1) We _____ our friends for / since 5 years.
- 2) _____ (they) their holidays here for / since 2003?
- 3) Peter _____ in that factory for / since more than one year.
- 4) Some students _____ handball for / since they were children.
- 5) _____ (she) English for / since a long time?
- 6) _____ (you, ever) to Italy for / since a few weeks?