

# PRESENT PERFECT SIMPLE

The Present Perfect Simple is used, if an action happened in the past and there is a connection to the present. This action has just stopped or is still going on. We do not use an exact expression of time when the action happened.

**Key words:** already, just, yet, ever, never, for, since, so far, up to now, not yet, lately, recently

## How to form the Present Perfect Simple

I, you, we, they	have + 3rd form
He, she, it	has + 3rd form

Examples: They **have visited** her uncle recently. - She **has just baked** an apple pie.

## Short forms

I've never **been** there before. - We've **studied** a lot so far.  
He's **worked** in this shop lately. - He's **found** his wallet.

## Negation

I, you, we, they	have not (haven't) + 3rd form
He, she, it	has not (hasn't) + 3rd form

Examples: They **haven't tidied** up their room so far. - He **hasn't finished** his homework yet.

## Questions

**Have you** already **done** your homework?  
**Have/Has - subject - verb**

**How long have you been** there?  
**Question word - have/has - subject – verb**

## How to use the present perfect

Here are some examples which show the connection to the present.

### PAST

**Nick has gone** on holidays.

result

**Have you ever been** to Italy?

connection with the present

**He has already met** Sue.

connection with the present

**He has just eaten** something bad.

connection with the present

**He has been** in Spain **for** ten days.

connection with the present

**He has been** in Spain **since** Friday.

connection with the present

### PRESENT

He is not in the office.

Do you know Italy? No, I **have never been** there.

He likes her.

He feels bad now.

He is still there.

He is still there.

## PRESENT PERFECT SIMPLE 1

Complete the following sentences with the correct present perfect forms.

1. My sister \_\_\_\_\_ a fantastic cake. (make)
2. What \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ for lunch today, Mum? (make)
3. I \_\_\_\_\_ my little dog yet. (not feed)
4. Sally and Jenny \_\_\_\_\_ a new CD player. (get)
5. Chris \_\_\_\_\_ wood for a raft. (not find)
6. The students \_\_\_\_\_ their homework. (not do)
7. Nick can't play football. He \_\_\_\_\_ an accident with his bike. (have)
8. Liz \_\_\_\_\_ her homework yet. (not finish)
9. \_\_\_\_\_ Julia \_\_\_\_\_ to school today? (be)
10. Bill \_\_\_\_\_ his room, but he \_\_\_\_\_ the dishes yet.  
(tidy up, not wash)

**Write down the sentences. Use the present perfect simple.**

Example: Snoopy / climb / onto his house. Snoopy has climbed onto his house.

1. Brian / play / football
2. Susan / read / her new book
3. I / find / some money in the street
4. Mr and Mrs Baker / have / an accident
5. Tom Davis / win / the volleyball match
6. Alison Brown / lose / the tennis match
7. Mr Martin / make / breakfast for us
8. The girls / bring / some wood for the fire
9. They / buy / a van for their holidays
10. Mrs Black / wash / the dishes