

PRESENT PERFECT AND PAST SIMPLE (page 89)

1. Look at sentences 1 and 2. Are the verbs **PAST SIMPLE** or **PRESENT PERFECT**?

1. The Irish have kept their traditions. _____

2. In the past, everyone believed in fairies. _____

2. Read the table. Complete the rules with the **PRESENT PERFECT** or the **PAST SIMPLE**.

present perfect and past simple

We use the (1) ... to talk about:

- actions that happened in the past, but we don't specify when they happened.
- actions that began in the past and continue now.
- recent actions.

We use the (2) ... to talk about:

- completed actions in the past.
- states or repeated actions in the past.

1. _____
2. _____

3 Choose the correct words.

- 1 Look! I've **found** / **found** a four-leaf clover!
- 2 It's **been** / **was** Jo's birthday last week!
- 3 Dan's cat **had** / **has had** four black kittens last night.
- 4 Oh no! Somebody **broke** / **'s broken** the mirror!
- 5 Jo **gave** / **'s given** me this charm yesterday.

REWRITE THE SENTENCES WITH CORRECT WORDS FOR EACH SENTENCE.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

4 Complete the postcard with the past simple or present perfect form of the verbs in brackets.

Dear Beth,

We (1) ... (be) in Ireland since Saturday and we're having a great time! Yesterday morning we (2) ... (go) to Blarney Castle and I (3) ... (kiss) the Blarney Stone! In the afternoon we (4) ... (have) a picnic in the countryside. The weather isn't good – it (5) ... (rain) four times since we (6) ... (arrive).

Love Katie

PS I (7) ... (see) a rainbow yesterday, but I (8) ... (not catch) a leprechaun yet!



WRITE YOUR ANSWER HERE:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

7. _____

8. _____