PAST SIMPLE VS PRESENT PERFECT

A Read the dialogue and put the verbs in brackets into either the past simple or present perfect.

Kate Hey, Olivia. I _____ (1 just / realise) that it's Mum and Dad's wedding anniversary next week.

Olivia Oh, yes 16th April. What do you reckon we should get them?

Kate Well, they _____ (2 not go) to the theatre for ages, so we could buy them tickets to a show.

Olivia But we _____ (3 get) them theatre tickets last year.

Kate You're right. Well, they _____ (4 not eat) at that new French place. We could book them a table.

Olivia Oh, come on, you know Dad. I'm sure he wouldn't like French food.

Kate Yeah, I suppose he is quite fussy about food. Well, they _____ (5 not have) a holiday since last summer. What about paying for them to go abroad for the weekend?

Olivia No way! That would cost a fortune!

Kate How about something for the garden?

Olivia But they _____ (6 go) to the garden centre two weeks ago and _____ (7 buy) lots of plants.

Kate I could go shopping and buy that DVD ... You know the one with John Malkovich and Helen Mirren.

Olivia You mean *Red*? But Mum _____ (8 already / see) that three times at the cinema.

Kate They _____ (9 have) their tennis rackets for years. I _____ (10 hear) Dad complaining about his when they _____ (11 come) back from their game last week. What about new rackets, then?

Olivia No, they'd be too difficult to choose. There are so many different types.

Kate Well, Mum _____ (12 say) yesterday that she _____ (13 be) bored with listening to the same music all the time. She _____ (14 not buy) any new CDs for ages. We could order something online.

Olivia Definitely not! I hate listening to their dreadful music!

Kate Oh, come on Olivia! I _____ (15 make) loads of suggestions and you _____ (16 not have) any ideas. Why don't YOU decide what to buy them?

B Has anyone done the things below? If they say *Yes*, write their name and then get some extra details.

Have you ever given someone a tip?

Yes, I took a taxi last week and I gave the driver £1.

Find someone who ...		Name	Extra Details
1	has given his / her parents an anniversary gift.		
2	has jumped the queue in a supermarket.		
3	has borrowed money and not given it back.		
4	has bought some clothes without trying them on first.		
5	has received a present he / she didn't like.		
6	has visited Harrods in London.		
7	has given someone a tip.		

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