

## PRESENT PERFECT VS PAST SIMPLE – EXERCISES

### 1 MAKE COMPLETE SENTENCES USING THE WORDS BELOW. USE THE PRESENT PERFECT.

- 1) I/already/do/the shopping. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) You/see/Woody Allen's new film/yet? \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) Beatrice/be/Madrid/twice. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4) Sue/never/try/bowling. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5) We/have/ two meetings/this morning. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6) The bus/just/arrive. \_\_\_\_\_
- 7) We/never/see/ this film/before. \_\_\_\_\_
- 8) You/ever/be/New York? \_\_\_\_\_
- 9) Simon/not take/his driving test/yet. \_\_\_\_\_

### 2 PUT THE VERBS IN BRACKETS INTO THE CORRECT FORM OF THE PAST SIMPLE. THEN CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER.

- 1) It \_\_\_\_\_ (be) the flightless bird from Mauritius.
- 2) He \_\_\_\_\_ (paint) the Starry Night.
- 3) He \_\_\_\_\_ (write) Oliver Twist.
- 4) He \_\_\_\_\_ (create) the cartoon character Mickey Mouse.
- 5) They \_\_\_\_\_ (be) the rulers of ancient Egypt.
- 6) He \_\_\_\_\_ (invent) the television.
- 7) He \_\_\_\_\_ (score) two goals in the 2006 World Cup.
- 8) She \_\_\_\_\_ (win) the gold medal in tennis at the Beijing Olympics in 2008.
- 9) It \_\_\_\_\_ (sink) in the Atlantic Ocean in 1912.

The Dodo

The Titanic

The Pharaohs

Elena Dementieva

Walt Disney

John Logie Baird

Ronaldo

Charles Dickens

Vincent Van Gogh

### 3 PUT THE VERBS IN BRACKETS INTO THE PAST SIMPLE OR THE PRESENT PERFECT.

- 1) A: \_\_\_\_\_ (you/see) Mandy?  
B: Actually, she \_\_\_\_\_ (leave) five minutes ago.
- 2) A: \_\_\_\_\_ (you/speak) to David yet?  
B: Yes, I \_\_\_\_\_ (already/see) him.
- 3) A: Do you like Thai cuisine?  
B: I'm not sure. I \_\_\_\_\_ (never/try) it.
- 4) A: Where \_\_\_\_\_ (you/go) on holiday this summer?  
B: I \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to Cyprus. \_\_\_\_\_ (you/ever/be) there?
- 5) A: When \_\_\_\_\_ (Albert Einstein/die)?  
B: In 1955.
- 6) A: Do we need to go to the supermarket?  
B: No, we don't. I \_\_\_\_\_ (already/do) the shopping for the week.

### 4 PUT THE VERBS IN BRACKETS INTO THE PAST SIMPLE OR THE PRESENT PERFECT.

A: Hi, Simon. I 1) \_\_\_\_\_ (not see) you in ages. How are you?

B: Hi, Laura! I'm fine, but I 2) \_\_\_\_\_ (be) very busy recently, I 3) \_\_\_\_\_ (get) my degree last week and also I 4) \_\_\_\_\_ (move) house.

A: Really! What day 5) \_\_\_\_\_ (you/move)?

B: Last Thursday. But we 6) \_\_\_\_\_ (not unpack) everything yet!

A: Oh, that explains it then. I 7) \_\_\_\_\_ (call) you on Friday, but there 8) \_\_\_\_\_ (be) no answer.

B: Yes, I 9) \_\_\_\_\_ (be) at the new flat unpacking. How are you doing?

A: Well, I 10) \_\_\_\_\_ (not graduate) yet, but I 11) \_\_\_\_\_ (just/find) a part-time job!

B: That's great. Well done.

A: I actually 12) \_\_\_\_\_ (send) you an email a couple of days ago telling you about it.

B: I'm sorry, Laura. I 13) \_\_\_\_\_ (not/check) my email for few days.

A: Don't worry about it!