

PRESENT PERFECT OR PAST SIMPLE



13.1 Complete the sentences. Use the present perfect where possible. Otherwise use the past simple.

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I can't get in.
I ve lost (lose) my key.

2

The office is empty now.
Everybody (go) home.

3

I meant to call you last night, but I (forget).

4

Helen (go) to New York for a holiday, but she's back home in London now.

5

Are you OK?
Yes, I (have) a headache, but it's OK now.

6

Can you help us? Our car (break) down.

13.2 Are the underlined parts of these sentences OK? Correct them where necessary.

- 1 Did you hear about Sophie? She's given up her job.
- 2 My mother has grown up in Italy.
- 3 How many plays has William Shakespeare written?
- 4 I've forgotten his name. Is it Joe or Jack?
- 5 Who has invented paper?
- 6 Drugs have become a big problem everywhere.
- 7 We've washed the car, but now it's dirty again.
- 8 Where have you been born?
- 9 Ellie has gone shopping. She'll be back in about an hour.
- 10 Albert Einstein has been the scientist who has developed the theory of relativity.

OK

My mother grew up

13.3 Put the verb into the correct form, present perfect or past simple.

- 1 It stopped raining for a while, but now it's raining again. (it / stop)
- 2 The town where I live is very different now. It has changed a lot. (it / change)
- 3 I studied German at school, but (I / forget) most of it now. (I / forget)
- 4 The police (arrest) three people, but later they let them go. (arrest)
- 5 What do you think of my English? Do you think (it / improve)? (it / improve)
- 6 Are you ready to go? (you / finish) your coffee? (you / finish)
- 7 (I / apply) for a job as a tour guide, but I wasn't successful. (I / apply)
- 8 Where's my bike? (it / be) outside the house, but it's not there now. (it / be)
- 9 Quick! We need to call an ambulance. (there / be) an accident. (there / be)
- 10 A: I've found my phone.
B: Oh, good. Where (you / find) it? (you / find)
A: (It / be) at the bottom of my bag. (It / be)
- 11 A: Ben won't be able to play tennis for a while. (He / break) his arm. (He / break)
B: Oh. How (that / happen)? (that / happen)
A: (He / fall) off a ladder. (He / fall)