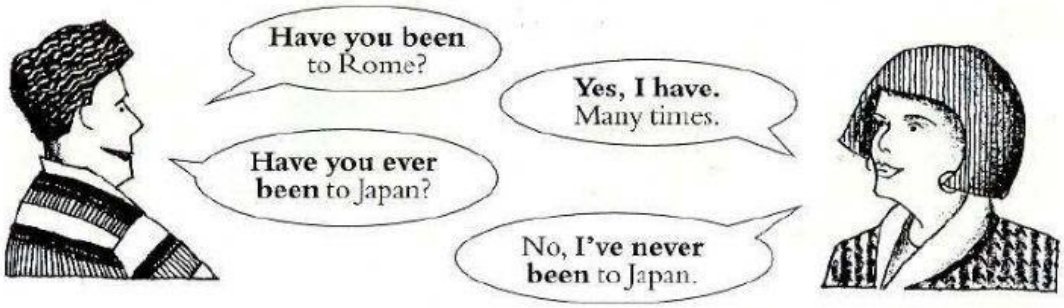
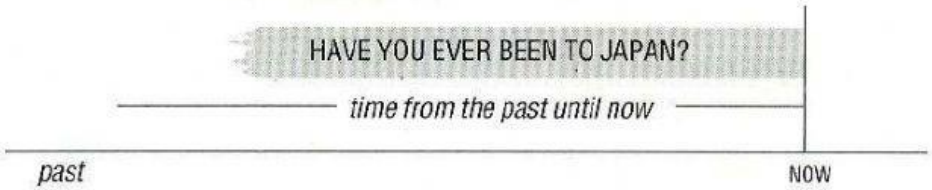
UNIT 17

Have you ever ... ? (present perfect 3)

A



We use the *present perfect* (**have been** / **have had** / **have played** *etc.*) when we talk about a time from the past until now – for example, a person's life:



- '**Have** you **been** to France?' (*in your life*) 'No, I **haven't**.'
- I've **been** to Canada but I **haven't been** to the United States.
- Mary is an interesting person. She **has had** many different jobs and **has lived** in many places.
- I've **seen** that woman before but I can't remember where.
- How many times **has** Brazil **won** the World Cup?
- '**Have** you **read** this book?' 'Yes, I've **read** it twice.' (**twice** = two times)

B

present perfect + **ever** (in questions) and **never**:

- '**Has** Ann **ever been** to Australia?' 'Yes, once.' (**once** = one time)
- '**Have** you **ever played** golf?' 'Yes, I often play golf.'
- My mother **has never travelled** by air.
- I've **never ridden** a horse.
- 'Who is that man?' 'I don't know. I've **never seen** him before.'

C

gone and **been**



Bill **has gone** to Spain.
(= he is in Spain *now*)



Bill **has been** to Spain.
(= he went to Spain but *now he is back*)

Compare:

- I can't find Susan. Where **has** she **gone**? (= Where is she now?)
- Oh, hello Susan! I was looking for you. Where **have** you **been**?

present perfect ⇒ UNITS 15-16, 18, 20 present perfect and past simple ⇒ UNIT 20

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EXERCISES

17.1 You are asking Helen questions beginning **Have you ever ... ?** Write the questions.



1 (London?) Have you ever been to London?
2 (play / golf?) Have you ever played golf?
3 (Australia?) Have .....
4 (lose / your passport?) .....
5 (fly / in a helicopter?) .....
6 (eat / Chinese food?) .....
7 (New York?) .....
8 (drive / a bus?) .....
9 (break / your leg?) .....



No, never.
Yes, many times.
No, never.
Yes, once.
No, never.
Yes, a few times.
Yes, twice.
No, never.
Yes, once.

17.2 Write sentences about Helen. (Look at her answers in Exercise 17.1.)

1 (New York) Helen has been to New York twice.
2 (Australia) Helen .....
3 (Chinese food) .....
4 (drive / a bus) .....

Now write about yourself. How often have you done these things?

5 (New York) I .....
6 (play / tennis) .....
7 (fly / in a helicopter) .....
8 (be / late for work or school) .....

17.3 Mary is 65 years old. She has had an interesting life. What has she done?



~~have~~	be
do	write
travel	meet

all over the world	a lot of interesting things
~~many different jobs~~	a lot of interesting people
ten books	married three times

1 She has had many different jobs.
2 She .....
3 .....
4 .....
5 .....
6 .....

17.4 Put in **gone** or **been**.

1 Bill is on holiday at the moment. He's gone to Spain.
2 'Where's Jill?' 'She's not here. I think she's ..... to the bank.'
3 Hello, Sue. Where have you ..... ? Have you ..... to the bank?
4 'Have you ever ..... to Mexico?' 'No, never.'
5 My parents aren't at home this evening. They've ..... out.
6 There's a new restaurant in town. Have you ..... to it?
7 Ann knows Paris well. She's ..... there many times.
8 Helen was here earlier but I think she's ..... now.

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