SIMPLE PAST vs. PRESENT PERFECT

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Use THE SIMPLE PAST or THE PRESENT PERFECT TENSE to fill in the blans. Use CONTRACTIONS in negative sentences.

1. The young man ..... (never / be) to Paris, but he ..... (read) a book about this city last year.

2. ..... you ..... (decide) where to go yet?

3. A: Have some tea, please.

   B: No, thank you. I ..... (just / have) two cups of tea.

4. Susan ..... (do) her homework before 10 o'clock but Jane .... (not /write) a word until now.

5. Her mother ..... (buy) her a pair of new shoes yesterday.

6. The Prime Minister ..... (leave) for the USA an hour ago.

7. A: ..... the plane ..... (land)?

   B: Yes, it ..... (land) ten minutes ago.

8. It ..... (not / rain) for a long time.

9. ..... you ..... (see) my dog? It ..... (run away) this morning.

10. We ..... (meet) at a party a long time ago, but I ..... (not / see) her since then.

11. I ..... (see) an interesting book in a bookshop yesterday, but I ..... (not / buy) it.

12. My friend ..... (fall) from the bicycle because he ..... (not / ride) one for ages.

13. His father ..... (die) in 1970, but he ..... (never / visit) his father's grave since that time.

14. Tey ..... (go) to America years ago, but none of them ..... (come) back since then.

15. A: ..... you ..... (speak) to an Englishman?

    B: Yes, I ..... (have) a short conversation with one last night.

16. A: ..... you ever ..... (be) to Tatilya?

    B: Yes, I ..... (go) there two years ago.

17. A: ..... you ..... (see) Jane recently?

    B: No, I ..... (see) her for a long time.

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