Complete the conversation with the present perfect or past simple form of the verbs in brackets. Use contractions where possible.

A _____ (you, work) for a television company before?

B Yes, I _____ (work) for three different companies since I finished university. Immediately after university I _____ (get) a job with MTV.

A OK, so can you tell us something about your job at MTV?

B Yes, of course. What would you like to know?

A How long _____ (you, stay) at MTV?

B I _____ (stay) there for five years, from 2006 to 2011.

A Five years? And what _____ (you, like) most about the job?

B I really _____ (enjoy) being in charge of a team. It _____ (give) me some useful experience of managing other people.

A And now you're working at the BBC. So how long _____ (you, be) with the BBC?

B I _____ (be) in my current job for two years.

A So how much experience _____ (you, have) of children's TV since you _____ (join) the BBC?

B I _____(be) the editor of The Magic Garden for the last nine months.

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

1 _____ raining for a while, but now it's raining again. (it / stop)

2 The town where I live is very different now. _____ a lot. (it / change)

3 I studied German at school, but _____ most of it now. (I / forget)

4 The police _____ three people, but later they let them go. (arrest)

5 What do you think of my English? Do you think_____ ? (it / improve)

6 Are you ready to go? _____ your coffee? (you / finish)

7 _____ for a job as a tour guide, but I wasn't successful. (I / apply)

8 Where's my bike? _____ outside the house, but it's not there now. (it / be)

9 Quick! We need to call an ambulance. _____ an accident. (there / be)

10 a: I've found my phone.

b: Oh, good. Where _____ it? (you / find)

a: _____ at the bottom of my bag. (It / be)

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11 a: Ben won't be able to play tennis for a while. _____ his arm. (He / break)

b: Oh. How_____ ? (that / happen)

a: _____ off a ladder. (He / fall)

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

1 _____ (I / not / be) to Canada, but I'd like to go there.

2 Paul and Lucy _____ (arrive) about ten minutes ago.

3 I'm tired. _____ (I / not / sleep) well last night.

4 _____ (There / be) a bus drivers' strike last week, so _____ (there / be) no buses.

5 Edward _____ (work) in a bank for 15 years. Then _____ (he / give) it up. Now he works as a gardener.

6 Mary lives in Dublin. _____ (She / live) there all her life.

7 My grandfather _____ (die) before I was born. _____ (I / never / meet) him.

8 I don't know Karen's husband. _____ (I / never / meet) him.

9 It's nearly lunchtime, and _____ (I / not / see) Martin all morning. I wonder where he is.

10 a: _____ (you / go) to the cinema last night?

b: Yes, but the movie _____ (be) awful.

11 a: _____ (It / be) very warm here since we arrived.

b: Yes, _____ (it / be) 35 degrees yesterday.

12 a: Where do you live? b: In Boston.

a: How long _____ (you / live) there? b: Five years.

a: Where _____ (you / live) before that? b: In Chicago.

a: And how long _____ (you / live) in Chicago? b: Two years.

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