

I've just ... I've already ... I haven't ... yet  
(present perfect 2)

## A

## I've just ...



They have just arrived.

**just** = a short time ago

- A: Are Diane and Paul here?  
B: Yes, they've **just arrived**.
- A: Are you hungry?  
B: No, I've **just had** dinner.
- A: Is Tom here?  
B: No, I'm afraid he's **just gone**.  
(= he **has** just gone)

## B

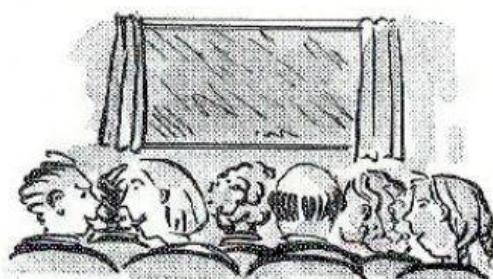
## I've already ...

**already** = before you expected / before I expected

- A: What time are Diane and Paul coming?  
B: They've **already arrived**. (= before you expected)
- It's only nine o'clock and Ann **has already gone** to bed. (= before I expected)
- A: John, this is Mary.  
B: Yes, I know. We've **already met**.

## C

## I haven't ... yet / Have you ... yet?

**yet** = until nowYou can use **yet** in *negative sentences* and *questions*. **Yet** is usually *at the end*.The film **hasn't started yet**.**yet** in *negative sentences*:

- A: Are Diane and Paul here?  
B: No, they **haven't arrived yet**.  
(but B expects Diane and Paul to arrive soon)
- A: Does John know that you're going away?  
B: No, I **haven't told** him yet.  
(but B is going to tell him soon)
- Margaret has bought a new dress but she **hasn't worn** it yet.

**yet** in *questions*:

- A: **Have** Diane and Paul **arrived yet**?  
B: No, not yet. We're still waiting for them.
- A: **Has** Linda **started** her new job **yet**?  
B: No, she starts next week.
- A: This is my new dress.  
B: Oh, it's nice. **Have you worn** it **yet**?

## EXERCISES

## 16.1

Write a sentence with **just** for each picture.

1 They've just arrived.

2 He .....  
3 They .....  
4 The race

## 16.2

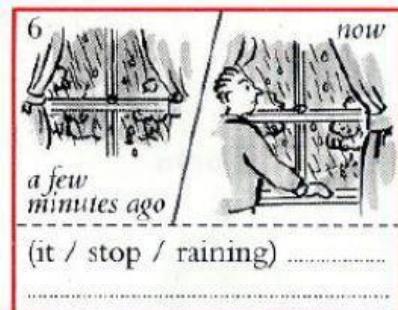
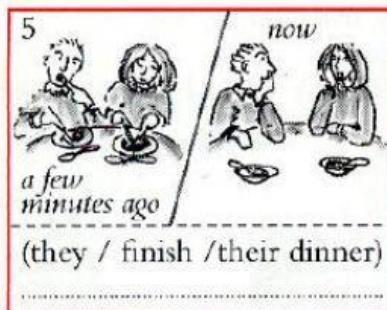
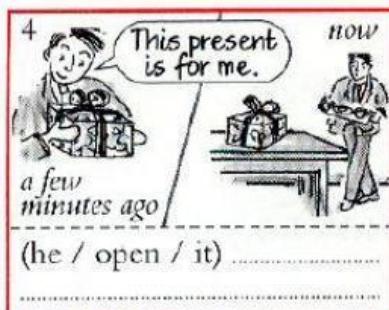
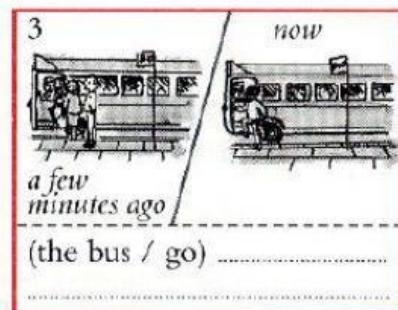
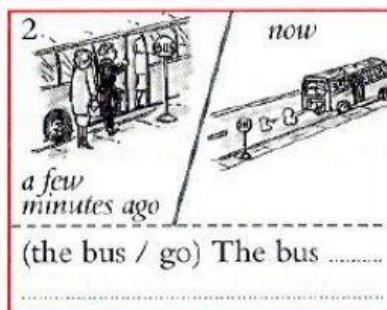
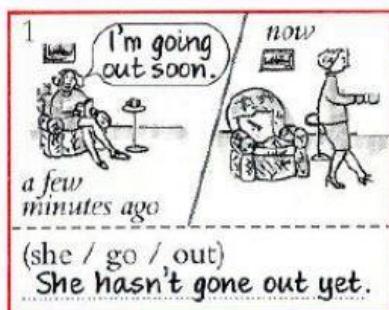
Complete the sentences. Use **already** + present perfect.

1 What time is Paul arriving?  
 2 Do Sue and Bill want to see the film?  
 3 Don't forget to phone Tom.  
 4 When is Martin going away?  
 5 Do you want to read the newspaper?  
 6 When does Linda start her new job?

He's already arrived.

No, they .....  
 I .....  
 He .....  
 I .....  
 She .....

## 16.3

Write a sentence with **just** (They've just ... / She's just ... etc.) or a negative sentence with **yet** (They haven't ... yet / She hasn't ... yet etc.).

## 16.4

Write questions with **yet**.

1 Your friend has got a new job. Perhaps she has started it. You ask her:  
**Have you started your new job yet?**

2 Your friend has some new neighbours. Perhaps he has met them. You ask him:  
 ..... you .....

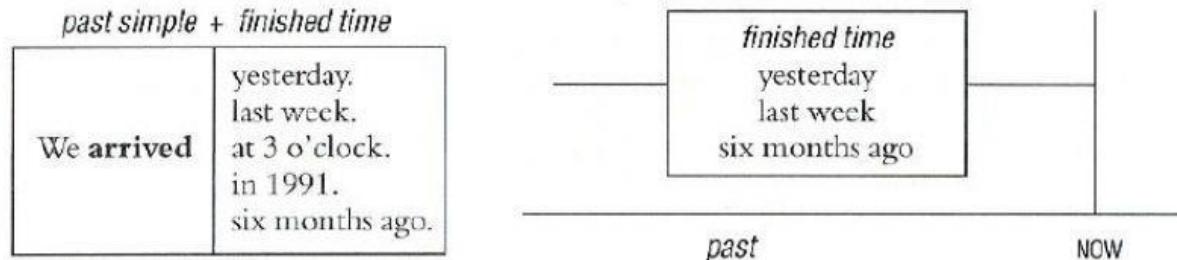
3 Your friend must write a letter. Perhaps she has written it now. You ask her:

4 Tom was trying to sell his car. Perhaps he has sold it now. You ask a friend about Tom:

## I have done (present perfect) and I did (past simple)

A

With a *finished time* (*yesterday / last week etc.*), we use the past (**arrived/saw/was etc.**):



Do *not* use the present perfect (**have arrived** / **have done** / **have been** etc.) with a finished time:

- I **saw** Paula **yesterday**. (*not* 'I have **seen**')
- Where **were** you **on Sunday afternoon**? (*not* 'Where have you **been**')
- We **didn't have** a holiday **last year**. (*not* 'We haven't **had**')
- 'What **did** you **do last night**?' 'I **stayed** at home.'
- William Shakespeare **lived from 1564 to 1616**. He **was** a writer. He **wrote** many plays and poems.

Use the past simple to ask **When ... ?** or **What time ... ?**

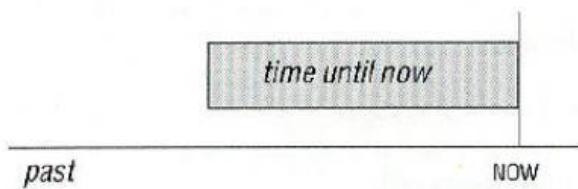
- When did they arrive? (not 'When have they arrived?')

B

Compare:

### *present perfect*

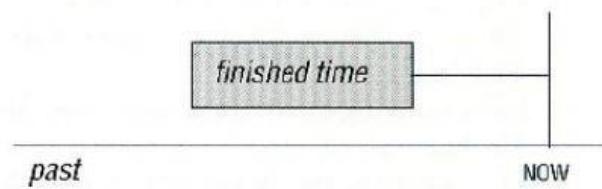
- I **have lost** my key.  
(= I can't find it *now*)
- Bill **has gone** home.  
(= he isn't here *now*)
- Have you **seen** Ann?  
(= where is she *now*?)



- Have you **ever been** to Spain?  
(= in your life, until *now*)
- My friend is a writer. He **has written** many books.
- The letter **hasn't arrived** yet.
- We've **lived** in Singapore for six years.  
(= we live there now)

### *past simple*

- I **lost** my key **last week**.
- Bill **went** home **ten minutes ago**.
- Did you **see** Ann on Saturday?



- Did you go to Spain **last year**?
- Shakespeare **wrote** many plays and poems.
- The letter **didn't arrive** yesterday.
- We **lived** in Glasgow for six years but now we live in Singapore.

## EXERCISES

## 20.1 Use the words in brackets (...) to answer the questions.

1 Have you seen Ann?  
 2 Have you started your new job?  
 3 Have your friends arrived?  
 4 Has Sarah gone away?  
 5 Have you worn your new shoes?

(5 minutes ago)  
 (last week)  
 (at 5 o'clock)  
 (on Friday)  
 (yesterday)

Yes, I saw her 5 minutes ago.  
 Yes, I ..... last week.  
 Yes, they .....  
 Yes, .....  
 Yes, .....

20.2 Right or wrong? Correct the verbs that are wrong. (The verbs are underlined.)

1 I've lost my key. I can't find it.  
 2 Have you seen Ann yesterday?  
 3 I've finished my work at 2 o'clock.  
 4 I'm ready now. I've finished my work.  
 5 What time have you finished your work?  
 6 Sue isn't here. She's gone out.  
 7 Jim's grandmother has died in 1989.  
 8 Where have you been last night?

RIGHT

WRONG: Did you see .....

.....  
 .....  
 .....  
 .....  
 .....  
 .....  
 .....  
 .....

## 20.3 Put the verb in the present perfect or past simple.

1 My friend is a writer. He has written (write) many books.  
 2 We didn't have (not/have) a holiday last year.  
 3 I ..... (play) tennis yesterday afternoon.  
 4 What time ..... (you/go) to bed last night?  
 5 ..... (you/ever/meet) a famous person?  
 6 The weather ..... (not/be) very good yesterday.  
 7 My hair is wet. I ..... (just/wash) it.  
 8 I ..... (wash) my hair before breakfast this morning.  
 9 Kathy travels a lot. She ..... (visit) many countries.  
 10 'Is Sonia here?' 'No, she ..... (not/come) yet.'

## 20.4 Put the verb in the present perfect or past simple.

1 A: Have you ever been (you/ever/be) to Florida?  
 B: Yes, we ..... went (go) there on holiday two years ago.  
 A: ..... (you/have) a good time?  
 B: Yes, it ..... (be) great.

2 A: Where's Alan? ..... (you/see) him?  
 B: Yes, he ..... (go) out a few minutes ago.  
 A: And Julia?  
 B: I don't know. I ..... (not/see) her.

3 Rose works in a factory. She ..... (work) there for six months. Before that she ..... (be) a waitress in a restaurant. She ..... (work) there for two years but she ..... (not/enjoy) it very much.

4 A: Do you know Martin's sister?  
 B: I ..... (see) her a few times but I ..... (never/speak) to her. .... (you/ever/speak) to her?  
 A: Yes. I ..... (meet) her at a party last week. She's very nice.