

2A GRAMMAR present perfect and past simple

a Circle the correct verb.

Mike So, where shall we go for our honeymoon?

Gina I don't know. Maybe somewhere in North Africa. Have you ever ~~been~~ / gone to Morocco?

Mike Yes, I've been / I went there.

Gina I didn't know that. When ³have you been / did you go there?

Mike The year after I ⁴have finished / finished university.

Gina What about Egypt?

Mike I've been / I went there, too.

Gina Who ⁶have you been / did you go with?

Mike With an ex-girlfriend. But we only ⁷have been / went to Cairo. Let's go there.

Gina No, let's go somewhere else.



b Complete the dialogues with the correct form of the verbs in brackets: past simple or present perfect. Use contractions where possible.

1 A How long ¹have you been (you / be) married, Glenn?

B Twenty-two years! Maxine and I ² (have) our wedding anniversary three weeks ago.

A Where ³ (you / meet)? At university?

B No, it ⁴ (be) long before that. Actually, we ⁵ (go) to the same school. We ⁶ (know) each other for a long time. What about you?

A I'm divorced. I ⁷ (get) divorced a year ago.

B How long ⁸ (you / be) married?

A Just a couple of years.

B So, you're on your own now?

A Yes, but I ⁹ (just / meet) someone new and I really like her.



2 A ¹ (you / teach) English abroad before, Ms Jenkins?

B Yes, I ² (teach) from 2009-2011 in Bolivia, and I ³ (just / come) back from a four-month job in Columbia.

A How long ⁴ (you / be) a language teacher?

B Exactly six years. Before that I ⁵ (be) a primary school teacher.

A Do you have any post-graduate qualifications?

B I ⁶ (start) an MA in Linguistics with the Open University last year, but I ⁷ (not finish) it yet.

