

## GRAMMAR:

### PRESENT PERFECT + EVER/NEVER

Choose the correct sentence in each pair.

- 1 a) I've first played the guitar when I was a teenager.  
b) I first played the guitar when I was a teenager.
- 2 a) When you worked in Hollywood, have you ever met anyone famous?  
b) When you worked in Hollywood, did you ever meet anyone famous?
- 3 a) Have you ever eaten sushi? Try some!  
b) Did you ever eat sushi? Try some!
- 4 a) Last night I read until 2a.m.  
b) Last night I've read until 2a.m.
- 5 a) Did you ever see the film *No Country for Old Men*? I have the DVD.  
b) Have you ever seen the film *No Country for Old Men*? I have the DVD.
- 6 a) In 1989 the government did something that changed the world.  
b) In 1989 the government has done something that changed the world.
- 7 a) She has never been to the theatre.  
b) She has ever been to the theatre.
- 8 a) I've ever worked in retail in my life.  
b) I've never worked in retail in my life.

Choose the correct alternatives.

Hi Janine,

I <sup>1</sup>*was*/*'ve* been here for a week now and already I <sup>2</sup>*made*/*'ve made* lots of friends. I share a room with a man called Don. Yesterday he asked me, <sup>3</sup>*'Did you ever spend/Have you ever spent* time in a place like this?' I told him, 'I <sup>4</sup>*went/have been* camping when I was ten.' He <sup>5</sup>*laughed/has laughed!* He <sup>6</sup>*spent/has spent* half his life here!

There are lots of things to do: there's a gym, a cinema, a library and a few clubs. I <sup>7</sup>*didn't have/haven't had* time to join any clubs yet, but this afternoon we <sup>8</sup>*watched/have watched* a film in the cinema.

The only bad thing is the food. I <sup>9</sup>*didn't ever eat/'ve never eaten* such terrible food before in my whole life!

Best wishes,

Bob

