

# PRESENT PERFECT SIMPLE



Boy: Dad, I'm going to the cinema with Jordi.  
Can I have £20?  
Dad: Hmm. Have you cleaned the car?  
Boy: Yes, I have.  
Dad: Have you tidied your room?  
Boy: Yes, I have.  
Dad: Well, OK then.

## Presentation

Use the present perfect to talk about a past action which has a present result.



*I've cleaned the car.* =  
The car is clean now.



*I haven't cleaned the car.* =  
The car is dirty now.

You don't say exactly when it happened. (don't say *I have cleaned the car yesterday*.)

Form the present perfect with *have/has + past participle*.

### Affirmative and negative

I		
You	've	
We	haven't	cleaned the car.
They		tidied your room.
He	's	
She	hasn't	

### Yes/No questions

Have	you we they	cleaned the car? tidied your room?
Has	he she	

### Past participle

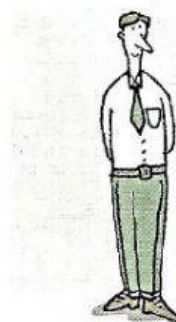
- Regular past participles end in *-ed*:  
*borrow* → *borrowed*.
- Many verbs have irregular past participles:  
*buy* → *bought*, *break* → *broken*.

### Short answers

Yes,	I / you / we / they	have.
	he / she	has.
No,	I / you / we / they	haven't.
	he / she	hasn't.

**1 Write affirmative and negative sentences. Use the present perfect.**

- comb his hair
- 1 Mark 's combed his hair.
  - 2 Rick hasn't combed his hair.
- iron his shirt
- 3 Mark \_\_\_\_\_
  - 4 Rick \_\_\_\_\_
- clean his shoes
- 5 Mark \_\_\_\_\_
  - 6 Rick \_\_\_\_\_



Mark



Rick

**2 Complete the sentences. Use the present perfect.**

- 1 I \_\_\_\_\_ (clean) my teeth.
- 2 She \_\_\_\_\_ (leave) her bag on the table.
- 3 We \_\_\_\_\_ (not finish) our homework.
- 4 They \_\_\_\_\_ (have) breakfast.
- 5 You \_\_\_\_\_ (not do) the washing-up.
- 6 He \_\_\_\_\_ (tidy) his desk.
- 7 We \_\_\_\_\_ (buy) a new car.
- 8 He \_\_\_\_\_ (made) lots of mistakes.

**3 Write sentences using the verbs in brackets.**

- 1 I can't find my credit card. (lose) \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Julio's got my dictionary. (borrow) \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Christina's wearing a new top. (buy) \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 The car was moving. Now it isn't. (stop) \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 I dropped my phone and now it doesn't work. (break) \_\_\_\_\_

**4 Complete the conversation with questions.**

- Mother: Peter! It's five to nine. Are you ready?
- Peter: Yes, Mum.
- Mother: 1 \_\_\_\_\_ your teeth?
- Peter: Yes, of course I have.
- Mother: 2 \_\_\_\_\_ a shower?
- Peter: Yes, Mum.
- Mother: 3 \_\_\_\_\_ your hair?
- Peter: Yes, I have.
- Mother: 4 \_\_\_\_\_ your shoes?
- Peter: Yes, I have.
- Mother: No, you haven't. They're dirty. Oh, Peter ...



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BE AFRAID NO TO TRY ...**