

PRESENT PERFECT SIMPLE

FORM AND USES

We used the **Present Perfect** Tense to talk about past actions or states that are still **connected** to the present.

We form the present perfect with **HAVE / HAS** + PAST PARTICIPLE of the main verb.

Present perfect yes/no questions		
have	Subject	Past participle
Have	I / you / we / you / they	fallen in love?
Has	he / she / it	fallen in love?
Present perfect short answers		
Affirmative	Negative	
Yes, I / you / we / you / they have .	No, I / you / we / you / they haven't .	
Yes, he / she / it has .	No, he / she / it hasn't .	
Wh- questions		
Where have your friends gone?		
We don't use the words do / don't to form questions in the present perfect.		
We put have / has before the subject of the question.		

Present perfect affirmative and negative			
Subject	have		Past participle
	Affirmative	Negative	
I	've / have	have not / haven't	talked.
You	've / have	have not / haven't	talked.
He / She / It	's / has	has not / hasn't	talked.
We / You / They	've / have	have not / haven't	talked.

been / gone
been = left and returned
I've been to Argentina. = I went there and came back.
gone = left and not returned
He's gone to Argentina. = He went to Argentina and hasn't come back.

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Choose the correct words.

1 Have you or Ian been to Spain?

No, we **hasn't** / **haven't**

2 Has / Have Julieta bruised her arm?

Yes, she has.

3 Has your teacher given you extra homework?

No, she **haven't** / **hasn't**.

4 Have / Has your friends played volleyball?

No, they **haven't**.

5 Have you bought some new shoes?

Yes, I **have** / **haven't**.

6 Have they gone to school?

No, they **haven't** / **have**.

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Complete the sentences with the correct present perfect forms of the verbs in brackets.

1 Tomás **has eaten** _____ (eat) all the biscuits.

2 I _____ (clean) the kitchen for Mum.

3 Mum and Dad _____ (not see) this film.

4 Josefina _____ (not try) Japanese food.

5 Our grandparents _____ (buy) a new apartment.

6 I _____ (not meet) your brother.

7 We _____ (find) some great music online.

8 I _____ (not read) that new book.



Complete the conversation with the words below.

has has been have you been have you met
I have I haven't she has

Lucía: 1 Has Lara been to Spain?

Rosa: Yes, ² _____. I think she's got family there. Why?

³ _____ to Spain?

Lucía: No, ⁴ _____. But I'd really like to go to Europe one day.

Rosa: I'd like to go Italy. I've always wanted to visit Rome.

Lucía: Oh! ⁵ _____ Ignacio?
He's the new boy in my class.

Rosa: Yes, ⁶ _____. He was at basketball practice yesterday.

Lucía: That's right. Well, his cousins live in Rome!

Rosa: Really? Then I expect he ⁷ _____ there lots of times.



Complete the present perfect sentences with the correct affirmative (✓) or negative (✗) verbs. Sometimes more than one answer is possible.

1 Tomás has eaten _____ all the biscuits.

There aren't any left! (✓)

2 Your shirt is clean now. I _____ it with special soap. (✓)

3 Mum and Dad _____ this film.
They don't like Tom Cruise. (✗)

4 Josefina _____ to Japan. But she'd love to go one day. (✗)

5 Our grandparents _____ a new apartment. It was very expensive! (✓)

6 I _____ in Rosario all my life.
I was born in Mendoza. (✗)



We use some time expressions with the present perfect and others with the past simple. Complete the table with time expressions from the box.

already at 8 o'clock in the morning

for ten years in 1996 last year since 2010

this week today two months ago yesterday yet

present perfect	past simple
for ten years	in 1996
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____