

Lesson 9 Present Perfect

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2. Grammar Introduction

A. Present Perfect: Affirmatives and Negatives

Affirmative	Negative
I have lived here for two years. Sarah has	I haven't lived here for two years. Sarah hasn't

- The present perfect is used for an action that has started in the past and continues into the present.
(We have lived here for two years. – We started to live here two years ago. We still live here.)
- The present perfect tense: **have/has + past participle**
- Past participles of regular verbs are the same as the simple past forms.
- haven't = have + not, hasn't = has + not

Complete the sentence in the present perfect tense.

- 1 **work** He in France since 2004.
- 2 **not climb** They Mount Everest yet.
- 3 **visit** Mr. Lewis the Pyramids in Egypt.
- 4 **not call** I Tom yet.

B. Present Perfect: Yes / No Questions

Question	Answer
Have you lived here for two years? Has Sarah	Yes, I have . Yes, she has . No, I haven't . No, she hasn't .

Write the question form.

- 1 I have worked on a farm before.
- 2 Tom has visited New York before.
- 3 We have finished our science project.



C. Past Participles of Irregular Verbs

Simple	Past	Past Participle
be	was/were	been
catch	caught	caught
eat	ate	eaten
know	knew	known
meet	met	met
ride	rode	ridden
speak	spoke	spoken
take	took	taken
wear	wore	worn

Simple	Past	Past Participle
break	broke	broken
do	did	done
have	had	had
choose	chose	chosen
read	read	read
see	saw	seen
swim	swam	swum
tell	told	told
win	won	won

Complete the sentence in the present perfect tense.

- 1 catch Have you ever caught a fish? No, I haven't
- 2 not eat We African food before. We want to try it.
- 3 know Tom is my friend. I him for five years now.
- 4 be Can you believe it? I here for 5 years already.
- 5 not tell I my mom about the math test yet.
- 6 win Our school the championship many times.
- 7 ride A: you ever a camel? B: Yes, I
- 8 not see I Mary for the last two days.
- 9 have Mike a headache all day.

D. Present Perfect in Today's English

- The speakers of English do not use the present perfect tense today as much as they did a few decades ago. They often use the past simple tense instead.
- Today the present perfect and the past simple are often used interchangeably.

Have you had lunch yet?

I have already finished my homework.

Did you have lunch yet?

I already finished my homework.

3. Grammar Practice

A Read and write the answer or the question.

	go to Europe	write a poem	stay up all night
Suzy	Yes	Yes	No
Mr. Roberts	No	No	Yes
Amy and Mary	Yes	No	Yes
I			

- 1 Has Suzy written a poem? *Yes, she has.*
- 2 Has Mr. Roberts been to Europe? *.....*
- 3 Have Amy and Mary stayed up all night? *.....*
- 4 Have you written a poem? *.....*
- 5 *Has Suzy stayed up all night?* *No, she hasn't.*
- 6 *No, he hasn't.*
- 7 *Yes, they have.*
- 8 *Yes, I have.*

B Write the verb in the present perfect tense. Then circle True or False.

- 1 **ride** I *have ridden* a motorcycle many times. True False
- 2 **not be** My friends to my house yet. True False
- 3 **be** My family and I to Jeju Island before. True False
- 4 **not eat** I raw fish yet. True False
- 5 **meet** I a famous person. True False
- 6 **not be** My teacher here for a year yet. True False
- 7 **not meet** My teacher my mom yet. True False
- 8 **make** My mom spaghetti once this week. True False



C Complete the dialogue. Use the present perfect tense when possible.

A: This is a good book. you **read** it yet?

B: Yes. I **read** it already.

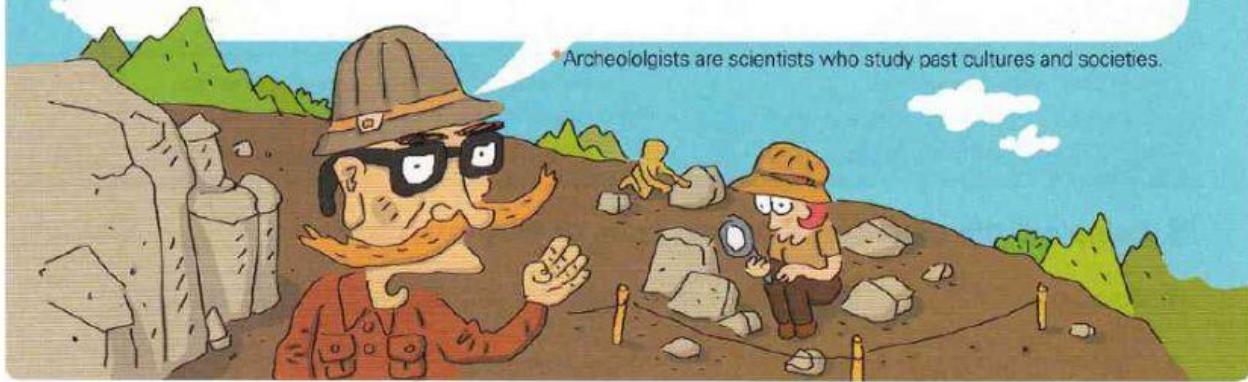
A: When did you **read** it?

B: I **read** it last week.

D Write the verb in the present perfect tense.

I'm Dr. Digwell. I for the past two years with a team of
 ① work
 archeologists* in Peru. We many areas. The team
 ② explore ③ discover
 many important things. We evidence of a large city over 3000 years
 ④ find
 old! I any mummies, but I huge stone buildings,
 ⑤ not see ⑥ see
 giant stone heads, and beautifully carved walls. The team to read
 ⑦ start
 these carvings, but it will take some time to know what they say.

*Archeologists are scientists who study past cultures and societies.



4. Grammar Summary

Present Perfect

Affirmative	Negative	Yes/No Question
I have lived here. She has lived here.	I haven't lived here. She hasn't lived here.	Have you lived here? Has she lived here?