UNIT 2 - AT HOME

Grammar practice

EXERCISE 1

C1 Rhiannon is preparing for a trip abroad with her friend Ellen. Look at the list she made yesterday evening and then complete the email she has sent to Ellen, using the present perfect.

To do
photocopy passport ✓
collect travellers' cheques ✓
buy money belt ✓
check camera ✗
choose clothes ✓
pack rucksack ✗
phone Granny ✓
see my cousins and say goodbye ✓
find my address book!! ✗ Ellen look?
get coach ticket ✗

Hi Ellen
Are you ready? I am, almost!
Today 1 I 've photocopied my passport , 2 I ..... my travellers' cheques and 3 I ..... a money belt. 4 I ..... my camera, but 5 I ..... my clothes. 6 I ..... my rucksack. I can do that tomorrow. 7 I ..... Granny and 8 I ..... my cousins and 9 I ..... goodbye to them. One problem: 10 I still ..... my address book. 11 ..... (you) ..... for it in your flat?
Phone me if you find it. I'm going to the coach station now because I 12 ..... my ticket to the airport.
See you tomorrow evening at the check-in desk!
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C2 A film has just won a prize. Journalist Ali has interviewed the director, Mike, and the star, Nika, for his magazine. Fill in the gaps using the verbs in brackets in the present perfect or the past simple.

THE WINNING TEAM



Ali: How long 1 have you known (*you/know*) each other?
Mike: We 2 ..... (*meet*) two years ago.
Ali: And when 3 ..... (*you/decide*) to make a film together?
Mike: Oh, very quickly.
Nika: We 4 ..... (*begin*) filming immediately.
Mike: It was hard work, and seven months ago our money 5 ..... (*run*) out.
Nika: That was frightening!
Mike: Yes. We 6 ..... (*have*) to borrow a million pounds and of course, we 7 ..... (*not pay*) it all back yet.
Ali: But now your film 8 ..... (*win*) this prize, all your problems 9 ..... (*disappear*).
Mike: I hope so.
Ali: And 10 ..... (*you/plan*) your next film yet?
Nika: We want to make another film soon, but we still 11 ..... (*not choose*) the story.
Ali: Well congratulations, on this one.
Mike: Thank you. Lots of people 12 ..... (*help*) us last year and we want to thank everyone.
Nika: Because they're the best team in the world!

LIVEWORKSHEETS

C3 Complete each sentence with a word or phrase from the box.

ago	already	ever	for	how long	~~just~~	never
since	still	when	yet			

1 I don't want to swim now because I've ..just.. had lunch.
2 My family has lived in this house ..... thirty years.
3 Elena has ..... played volleyball. She doesn't enjoy sport.
4 Jordan left school a year ..... .
5 ..... have you been a member of the swimming team?
6 I haven't seen my boyfriend ..... last weekend.
7 ..... did Zoe join the theatre company?
8 We've ..... booked our holiday. We're going to Corfu.
9 Have you ..... worked in a shop before or is this your first job?
10 Neil ..... hasn't paid me the money he owes me.
11 The boss hasn't arrived ..... so we needn't start work.

C4 Look at each pair of sentences. Mark S if their meaning is the same or D if it is different.

1 Have you ever ridden a motorbike?
Have you ridden a motorbike recently? ..D..
2 She's worked here since the summer.
She didn't work here after the summer. .....
3 I've been to London twice this year.
I've just come back from London. .....
4 This is the most expensive holiday I've ever had.
I've never had such an expensive holiday before. .....
5 My father hasn't been to the theatre for ten years.
My father didn't go to the theatre ten years ago. .....
6 We've already seen this film.
We've seen this film before. .....
7 He still hasn't read that book.
He hasn't read that book yet. .....
8 This is the second time I've visited Crete.
I've been to Crete once before. .....

LIVEWORKSHEETS

EXERCISE 2

C3 **Fill in the gaps in this conversation with the correct form of *used to* and a verb from the box.**

be	not go	have	not have	live	know	travel	walk

Mina: There's Dahlia in her dad's sports car. Where do they get their money from?

Sara: Don't you know? Her family won the lottery.

Mina: Wow!

Sara: I knew her before that, though. Her family **1** used to live in our road. She **2** ..... to school like all the other children in those days.

Mina: **3** ..... (you) them very well?

Sara: Oh, yes. They **4** ..... friendly people. And her father grew all their vegetables because they **5** ..... much money.

Mina: They go on holiday a lot now. **6** ..... (they) abroad then?

Sara: No, they 7 ..... away at all.

Mina: They're very lucky now.

Sara: Mmm, but they 8 ..... more friends.

C4 **Complete each sentence to show what was different in the past. Use the word in brackets and any others you need with *used to/didn't use to* + verb.**

1 Patrick didn't use to take many photos. (photos) but he loves using his new camera.

2 You ..... (lazy) but you're working very hard this term.

3 I ..... (slim) but I've lost weight.

4 Bobby ..... (a bike) but he drives a car now.

5 Bertie ..... (my brother) but they've become friends recently.

6 Nora ..... (the cinema) very often but she sees lots of films now.

7 My sister ..... (shy) but she enjoys parties now.

8 We ..... (sport) but we often play tennis these days.

9 Joanna ..... (a vegetarian) but she had a sausage for breakfast.

10 They..... (the city centre) but their new house is in the country.

C5 **Write true sentences about when you were very young using *used to/didn't use to* + verb.**

1 I didn't use to do my homework on a computer.

2 .....

3 .....

4 .....

5 .....

LIVEWORKSHEETS