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Past Simple – Present Perfect

18 Circle the mistake (A or B), then correct it.

- 1 Frank has done his homework and then listened to music. ... *did* ...
- 2 The children have put away their toys but they didn't make their beds yet.
- 3 Jim learned a lot since he started the language course.
- 4 Fatima has finished her lunch and then she went out to play.
- 5 They haven't seen each other since September when they have met
at Mary's party.
- 6 Ryan has bought a new MP3 player yesterday but I haven't seen it yet.
- 7 The hockey player hit his head on Friday and he was in hospital since then.

19 Put the verbs in brackets into the *past simple* or the *present perfect*.

Dear Tina,

Hi! How are you? I'm having such a great time here in Singapore.
The city is so clean and the people are very kind and helpful!

We 1) have been (be) here for three days now and
we 2) (do) something different each
day. On Monday, we 3) (go) to the
shops in Singapore's Chinatown. I 4)
(buy) souvenirs for my friends and some CDs for me. On Tuesday, we
5) (go) on a riverboat tour on the
Singapore River. It 6) (be) fantastic!
Yesterday, we 7) (visit) Singapore Botanic Gardens. We
8) (see) many beautiful, exotic flowers and plants.

There are still a couple of things we 9) (not/do) yet. We
10) (not/visit) the Jurong Bird Park yet and we
11) (not/go) to the Singapore Zoo. We're going there
tomorrow. I can't wait to see the white Bengal tigers!

Singapore is a beautiful city! I 12) (already/take) so
many lovely photographs and I can't wait for you to see them when I get back.

See you next week.

Lots of love,

May



Speaking Activity

(Asking about experiences)

In pairs, ask and answer questions using the ideas below as in the example:

- ride a camel
- fly in a helicopter
- sleep in a tent
- go scuba diving
- win a competition
- see a famous person
- be on TV
- try sushi
- cook pasta



A: Have you ever ridden a camel?

A: Yes, I have.

B: Really? When was that?

B: No, I haven't. Have you?

A: Last summer, etc.

Writing Activity

Imagine you are in Disneyland. Complete the postcard below telling your English pen friend about your experiences. Use the phrases in the list.

- ride on roller coaster
- visit haunted house
- go on big wheel
- meet Mickey Mouse / shake his hand
- buy souvenirs

Dear

I'm great! I'm having lots of fun with my family here in Disneyland.

We've been here since Monday and so far we've done a lot of things.

We

Yesterday, I

It was very exciting!

There are still a couple of things we haven't done yet. We

..... and

But it's only Thursday and there is still plenty of time.

Well, that's all for now.

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