Simple Past vs. Present Perfect

Which sentence is correct? Tick it.



a) Ben **visited** his brother last week.
b) Ben **has visited** his brother last week.

a) The Berlin Wall **fell** in 1989.
b) The Berlin Wall **has fallen** in 1989.

a) I **was already** in New York several times. – It's a great city.
b) I **have already been** to New York several times. – It's a great city.

Complete these dialogues with the verbs in the Present Perfect or the Simple Past. Do NOT use short forms! ~~haven't~~ – ~~hasn't~~ etc.

Dad: Can you wash the car, please, Peter?
You _____(**not/do**) it yet.

Peter: That's not fair. Yesterday I _____ (**help**) you in the garden and I _____ (**make**) a chocolate cake for mum. The day before yesterday I _____ (**do**) the shopping, too.

Dad: Your mum _____ (**just/tidy**) your room, so you don't have to do that today. I haven't got time. I'm in a hurry and you know that it's your job to wash the car.

Peter: But I _____ (**not/finish**) my work on our new project. and the car isn't really dirty. We _____ (**wash**) it two weeks ago.

Dad: But the car is really dirty inside. And I _____(**just/tell**) you that I'm in a hurry. OK, you can clean the inside of the car today and do the rest next week. Is that all right?

Peter: OK. That won't take long.

"for" or "since"? Choose the correct answer.

1. The O'Conners haven't been to Dublin _____ six months.
2. The McCourts have lived in New York _____ 2005.
3. Mr O'Brady hasn't seen his wife and children _____ last week.
4. Mrs Kennedy hasn't phoned her parents _____ two days.
5. The O'Learys haven't talked to any Irish people _____ they left the country.

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