

Grammar 7b

• Present perfect

- 1** Fill in the gaps with *hasn't*, *have*, *haven't*. Find examples in the text on p. 82.

Form: have/has + past participle

Affirmative

I/You **have tried** snails.
He/She/It **has had** an accident.
We/You/They **1)** **eaten** fish.

Negative

I/You **haven't tried** shrimps.
He/She/It **2)** **played** well.
We/You/They **3)** **eaten** meat.

Use: We use the **present perfect** for:

- actions which started in the past and continue to the present.
*They **have been** here since 2008.*
- life experiences. (time isn't stated)
*I've **put on** weight.*
- actions that happened in the past and we can see their results in the present. *She's **broken** her leg.* (When? We don't know.) (We can see that her leg is in plaster.)

Compare: *He **has gone** to Madrid.* (He's still there.) *He **has been** to Madrid.* (He's back now.)

Time expressions with the present perfect: since, for, never, ever, yet, already, just, this week etc.

- 2** Write the past participles of the verbs below. Which are regular (R)? Which are irregular (I)?

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| 1 eat <i>eaten</i> (I) | 7 run |
| 2 write | 8 go |
| 3 win | 9 give |
| 4 ride | 10 bring |
| 5 travel | 11 think |
| 6 listen | 12 tell |

- 3** Use the verbs in Ex. 2 in the **present perfect** to complete the sentences.

- He *hasn't eaten* his lunch. (X)
- Tom a marathon. (✓)
- They a camel. (X)
- She to his advice. (X)
- I a competition! (✓)
- Simon and Anna around the world. (✓)

- 4** Read the table. How do we form questions in the **present perfect**?

Interrogative	Short answers
Have I/you (ever) } Has he/she/it } Have we/you/they }	Yes, I/you have ./No, I/you haven't . Yes, he/she/it has ./No, he/she/it hasn't . Yes, we/you/they have ./ No, we/you/they haven't .

- 5** Write questions. Then answer them.

- you/ever/break/something/at/a restaurant? *Have you **ever broken something** at a restaurant? Yes, I **have**./No, I **haven't**.*
- your parents/ever/travel/to/Europe?
- a friend/ever/tell you/a lie?
- you/ever/see/a ghost?
- you and your friends/ever/sleep/in a tent?
- you/ever/drive/a racing car?

• just - already - yet - for - since - ever - never

- 6** Read the examples and say them in your language. How do we use the words in bold? Find examples in the text on p. 82.

*I've **already** done my homework. Have you **already** had lunch? I **haven't had** lunch **yet**. I've **just** spoken to Mike. Have you **ever ridden** a camel? Simon **has never** eaten snails. Suzy **has lived** here **for** two years. I **haven't seen** Andy **since** Friday.*

Now choose the correct words. Give reasons.

- He's **ever/never** played tennis before.
- I have been friends with Mary **for/since** five years.
- Sam and Jane have **yet/just** come back from Thailand.
- Have you **never/ever** been to India?
- They haven't been to the theatre **for/since** last year.
- I haven't done my maths homework **yet/already**.
- I've **yet/already** done the washing-up.
- They haven't visited us **for/since** last month.