



**1** Read the text, pay attention to  
the Present Perfect and Past Simple verbs

I've had an intriguing life **so far**. **Recently** I've stopped working as an accountant. I dedicated 30 years to that profession. **When I was 52**, I retired. **Since then**, I've been focusing on my true passion: astrology.

I've delved deep into the mysteries of the zodiac signs. I've studied each one. I've even written a book about it. **In my lifetime**, I've visited many places to observe the stars. I've been to Egypt twice, **three years ago** I looked at the ancient astrological symbols on the pyramids. I also went to Greece, the birthplace of astrology, **last year**. There, I visited places dedicated to the Zodiac constellations.

They say love is written in the stars, and I agree. I've been married twice, but unfortunately, neither marriage lasted more than five years. I guess my partners couldn't understand my passion for the cosmos.

While I've **never** been on television, I have had interviews on the radio many times in my life. I've shared my insights into the zodiac signs and their influence on human behavior. **Once**, I even predicted a major political event on air, which made me known in the astrological community.

In my travels, I've met some strange customs and cuisines. In India, I tried a dish called "zodiac curry," made from ingredients corresponding to each zodiac sign. **On vacation in China**, I drank a mysterious drink called "Celestial Elixir", they say it brings wisdom to those who drink it.

As an astrologist, I've witnessed the wonders of the universe. I've seen how the stars can shape our destinies. And though I may not have all the answers, I'll continue to explore the depths of the cosmos for as long as the stars shine bright.

**2** Write out the time markers from the text above.

finished time (Past Simple)	unfinished time (Present Perfect)

**3** Watch the video.