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4A present perfect

1 I've cleaned the fridge – it looks new! 4.4
He hasn't done the washing-up. Can you help me do it?
A The concert starts soon. Have you turned off your phone?
B Yes, I have.
2 Mary's had her baby! A parcel has arrived for you.

1 We often use the present perfect to talk about the recent past and its relationship with the present, e.g. *I've cleaned the fridge, so now it looks new.* We don't say exactly when things happened, e.g. *I've cleaned the fridge.* **NOT** ~~*I've cleaned the fridge ten minutes ago.*~~

2 We often use the present perfect to give recent news.

full form	contraction	negative	past participle
I have	I've	I haven't	finished the washing-up.
You have	You've	You haven't	
He / She / It has	He / She / It's	He / She / It hasn't	
We have	We've	We haven't	
They have	They've	They haven't	

Have you finished the exercise? Yes, I have. / No, I haven't.
Has he done the homework? Yes, he has. / No, he hasn't.

- For regular verbs the past participle is the same as the past simple (+ *-ed*). For irregular verbs the past participle is sometimes the same as the past simple (e.g. *buy, bought, bought*) and sometimes different (e.g. *do, did, done*). See **Irregular verbs** p.164.

yet, just, already

1 A Have you finished your homework yet? 4.5
B No, not yet. I haven't finished yet.
2 My sister's just started a new job.
3 A Do you want to see this film?
B No, I've already seen it three times.

- We often use *yet, just,* and *already* with the present perfect.
  1 We use *yet* + the present perfect in ? and − sentences to ask if something has happened or to say if it hasn't happened. We put *yet* at the end of the sentence.
  2 We use *just* in + sentences to say that something happened very recently. We put *just* before the main verb.
  3 We use *already* in + sentences to say that something happened before now or earlier than expected. We put *already* before the main verb.

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a Write sentences with the present perfect.

+ He / clean the car *He's cleaned the car.*
1 + She / buy a new jacket
2 − He / find a job yet
3 ? / you speak to Mr Jackson
4 + We / find a fantastic hotel
5 − They / finish eating
6 ? / you see Peter recently
7 ? / you do your homework
8 − We / reply to their email yet

b Write sentences or questions with *yet, just,* or *already.*

He / arrive. (already) *He's already arrived.*
1 I / have / breakfast. (just)
2 / you / finish / your dinner? (yet)
3 The film / start. (already)
4 I / not meet / his girlfriend. (yet)
5 They / get married. (just)
6 You're too late. He / go / home. (already)
7 We / speak / to him. (just)
8 I / not read / his new book (yet)

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