

2A GRAMMAR present perfect and simple past

a Circle the correct verb.

Mike So, where shall we go for our honeymoon?

Gina I don't know. Maybe somewhere in North Africa. Have you ever been / gone to Morocco?

Mike Yes, ²I've been / I went there.

Gina I didn't know that. When ³have you been / did you go there?

Mike The year after I ⁴have finished / finished college.

Gina What about Egypt?

Mike ⁵I've been / I went there, too.

Gina Who ⁶have you been / did you go with?

Mike With an ex-girlfriend. But we only ⁷have been / went to Cairo. Let's go there.

Gina No, let's go somewhere else.

b Complete the conversations with the correct form of the verbs in parentheses: simple past or present perfect. Use contractions where possible.

1 Paul How long ¹have you been (you / be) married, James?

James Twenty-two years! Maxine and I ²_____ (have) our wedding anniversary three weeks ago.

Paul Where ³_____ (you / meet)? In college?

James No, it ⁴_____ (be) long before that. Actually, we ⁵_____ (go) to the same high school. We ⁶_____ (know) each other for a long time.

What about you?

Paul I'm divorced. I ⁷_____ (get) divorced a year ago.

James How long ⁸_____ (you / be) married?

Paul Just a couple of years.

James So, you're on your own now?

Paul Yes, but I ⁹_____ (just / meet) someone new and I really like her.



2 Sophia You look exhausted, Jacob! What time ¹_____ (you / go) home last night?

Jacob I ²_____ (not leave) until 9:00 and I ³_____ (come) back in at 7:00 this morning.

Sophia And what about the report for the boss? ⁴_____ (you / finish) it yet?

Jacob Yes, I ⁵_____ (send) it to her a couple of minutes ago.

Sophia Great! You should take a break. I ⁶_____ (just / make) some coffee. Do you want some?

Jacob No, thanks. I ⁷_____ (already / have) three cups this morning!



ACTIVATION

Practice the conversations in **a** and **b** with a partner.