

# GRAMMAR REFERENCE (PRESENT PERFECT AND PAST SIMPLE)

## PRESENT PERFECT

Affirmative	Negative	Interrogative
I	I	I
You + have + Verb (past part.)	You + haven't + Verb (past part.)	Have + You + Verb (past part.)
We	We	We
They	They	They
He	He	He
She + has + Verb (past part.)	She + hasn't + Verb (past part.)	Has + She + Verb (past part.)
It	It	It

### Time expressions

Already, yet, still, for, since

\*Ever → to ask if someone has done something at any time in their life.

It goes after have / has and the subject, and before the past participle

*Has Pete ever visited his aunt in Canada?*

\*Never → to say that we haven't done something in our life.

We use with the affirmative form of the verb. It goes between

have/ has and the past participle

*They have never eaten Japanese food.*

\*Just → to talk about an event that has happened very recently.

We use it in affirmative sentences. It goes between have / has and the past participle.

*I've just spoken to Rachelle on the phone.*

### Uses

-The present perfect is used to describe events which started in the past and continue in the present.

*The Smith family has lived in Canada since 2013.*

-It is also used to describe past events without exact time references.

*They have tried all the games apps on their phones.*

## PAST SIMPLE

### Time expressions

Yesterday, last night/week/month/year... at six o'clock, in the Winter, two weeks ago, etc

### Uses

It is used to talk about an action or period of time in the past which is completed.

*The Smith family moved to Canada two years ago.*

## Present perfect

1 Write the words in the correct order to make present perfect sentences. Use the correct form of the verbs.

pick up / Harry / have / a lot of Bulgarian words / already .  
*Harry has already picked up a lot of Bulgarian words.*

1 have / an upsetting / have / Megan / experience .

2 yet / my software / update / you / Have ?

3 in an exam / be / since / Rebecca / 9 a.m. / have .

4 practise / still / our / have (not) / Italian / We .

5 ever / Moira and Ian / been / Have / to Spain ?

6 are / since / 2012 / Luke / in Cardiff / live .

7 just / We / Spanish / have / learning / started .

## Present perfect and past simple

2 Complete the sentences with the correct present perfect or past simple form of the verbs in brackets.

I *charged* (charge) my laptop last night.

1 Maya \_\_\_\_\_ (text) me yet.

2 They \_\_\_\_\_ (make) the first Star Trek film in 1979.

3 Kiran \_\_\_\_\_ (buy) a smartphone last weekend.

4 I \_\_\_\_\_ already (ask) them for technical support.

5 The Nigerians \_\_\_\_\_ (play) talking drums since 2000 BC.

6 We \_\_\_\_\_ just (buy) new mobile phones

