

Present perfect

I can talk about recent events.

1 Complete the sentences with the verbs in brackets. Use the present perfect.

- Poor Jeff. He _____ (break) his arm.
- Look! The sun _____ (come out).
- John _____ (not visit) Italy.
- Oh dear. I _____ (lose) my dictionary.
- We _____ (not finish) our homework.
- Harry _____ (not read) the *Hunger Games* books, but he'd like to.

2 Complete the postcard with the present perfect form of the verbs below.

be be buy go not go not rain take visit



Dear Amy,

We¹ _____ in the USA for two weeks. The weather² _____ fantastic – it³ _____ once!
 We⁴ _____ two cities – San Diego and Los Angeles. Now we're in San Francisco. It's a great city. We⁵ _____ shopping, and I⁶ _____ some clothes.
 I⁷ _____ lots of photos, which I'll upload to my blog later. We⁸ _____ to Alcatraz island yet – we're going there tomorrow. I'm really looking forward to it!

Love, Rose

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3 Hannah is on holiday in Greece. Write questions and answers about the things she has and has not done.

- visit Athens ✗
- spend lots of money ✓
- go windsurfing ✓
- read lots of books ✗
- swim in the sea ✓
- send many postcards ✗

1 Has she visited Athens? No, she hasn't.

- _____ ? _____
- _____ ? _____
- _____ ? _____
- _____ ? _____
- _____ ? _____
- _____ ? _____

4 Choose *been* or *gone*.

- 'Where's Dad?' 'He's **been** / **gone** to work.'
- Joe has **been** / **gone** to town. He'll be back at about six.
- 'Have you ever **been** / **gone** surfing?' 'No, but I'd like to try it.'
- You're late. Where have you **been** / **gone**?
- I'd love to visit Paris again. I haven't **been** / **gone** there for years.
- Joe was here a moment ago, but now he's **been** / **gone**.

5 Complete the sentences with *for* or *since*.

- I've had this watch _____ my birthday.
- Kate has known Pete _____ ten years.
- We've been in Italy _____ last Tuesday.
- I've lived in Newport _____ I was born.
- I haven't been well _____ a few days.
- My parents have been married _____ 1990.
- I haven't seen Mark _____ a long time.

6 Write questions with *How long*? Use the words in brackets. Then write two answers: one with *for* and one with *since*.

- I work as a tourist information officer. I started working there a year ago. (you / be)
 How long have you *been* a tourist information officer?
 For a year. / Since last year.
- I bought this motorbike in 2012. (you / have)

3 Liam met Susan three years ago. (Liam / know)

4 Harry moved to Bath in 2010. (Harry / live)

5 Jo and Lizzie are sixteen and started learning English when they were ten. (they / study)

6 My brother started at Cardiff University in September. (he / be)