2 Grammar Present perfect statements 1.14

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Use the present perfect for events at an indefinite time before now.

I	**'ve been** to Europe.	I	**haven't been** to Paris.
You	**'ve done** a lot of things	You	**haven't gone** sailing.
We	**'ve had** a lot of fun.	We	**haven't saved** enough money.
They	**'ve traveled** in Asia.	They	**haven't been** to Europe.
He	**'s surfed** in Hawai'i.	She	**hasn't tried** surfing before.

The present perfect is often used with these frequency expressions.

I've **always wanted** to study acting.
We've **gone** sailing **once / twice / many times**.
She's **never tried** it **before**.

Notice how people use *been* and *gone* to talk about travel destinations.

I've **been** to Paris. (I went and came back.)
She's **gone** to Paris. (She's still in Paris.)

Regular past participles

travel	traveled	**traveled**
want	wanted	**wanted**
save	saved	**saved**
try	tried	**tried**

Irregular past participles

be	was / were	**been**
do	did	**done**
go	went	**gone**
have	had	**had**
see	saw	**seen**

Common errors

Use the past participle, not the base form.

I've traveled a lot.
(NOT ~~*I've travel a lot.*~~)

A **Complete the conversations with the present perfect. Then practice with a partner.**

1. A I *'ve always wanted* (always / want) to try rock climbing.
   B Really? Not me. I _____ (never / want) to do it. I _____ (always / be) afraid of heights.

2. A I _____ (not see) the Grand Canyon. I really want to go there someday.
   B Me too. My friend _____ (be) there. She had an amazing time.

3. A I _____ (go) surfing three or four times. It's exciting.
   B Yeah? I _____ (not try) it before. I _____ (never do) any water sports.

4. A My dream is to be a tennis player. I _____ (have) a lot of training, and I _____ (play) with some professional tennis players.
   B No way! I love tennis. I _____ (always / want) to meet Andy Murray.

5. A We _____ (not travel) much, but we want to go to Bogotá.
   B Me too. My cousin lives there. He _____ (invite) me to visit several times, but I _____ (not save) enough money to go.

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