YOUR HOLIDAY, MY JOB

Lesson preparation

1. **R3.1 Listen. Who said these sentences, *Sam* or *Marcia*:**
   a. I've worked in two other Central American countries and I had a great time in both places.
   b. We've been away together a few times, but each time there was a problem at the hotel.
   c. I started working in the hotel industry 14 years ago.
   d. Last month two guys set off on their own.
   e. I've lived in this country for three years.
   f. My husband and I have had this place since 2001.
   g. I've just been to San Isidro to pick up a guest.
   h. My husband's gone to see some friends off.
2. **Look at the sentences in 1. Complete the rules with *Present Perfect* or *Past simple*.**
   a. We use the _____ to talk about experiences in our life up to now, but we don't say when they happened. To give more information about an experience we use the _____
   b. We use the _____ to say when something happened.
   c. We use the _____ for something that started in the past and continues in the present.
   d. We use the _____ for something that happened a short time ago, but we don't say exactly when.
3. **Put the verbs in brackets in the Present Perfect or Past Simple.**

In the nineties we I 1_____ *(come)* here every year on holiday. Then in 2001 we 2_____ *(decide)* to open a restaurant. We 3_____ *(live)* here since then and we 4_____ *(just open)* a guest house nearby. The main problem is holidays. We 5_____ *(go)* to Spain twice, but our last holiday 6_____ *(be)* two years ago. We 7_____ *(not have)* any time off since then. My parents are

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here at the moment — it's the third time they 8_____ *(visit)* us this year! Brian's family are arriving today too. In fact, he 9_____ *(just go)* to pick them up from the airport.

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