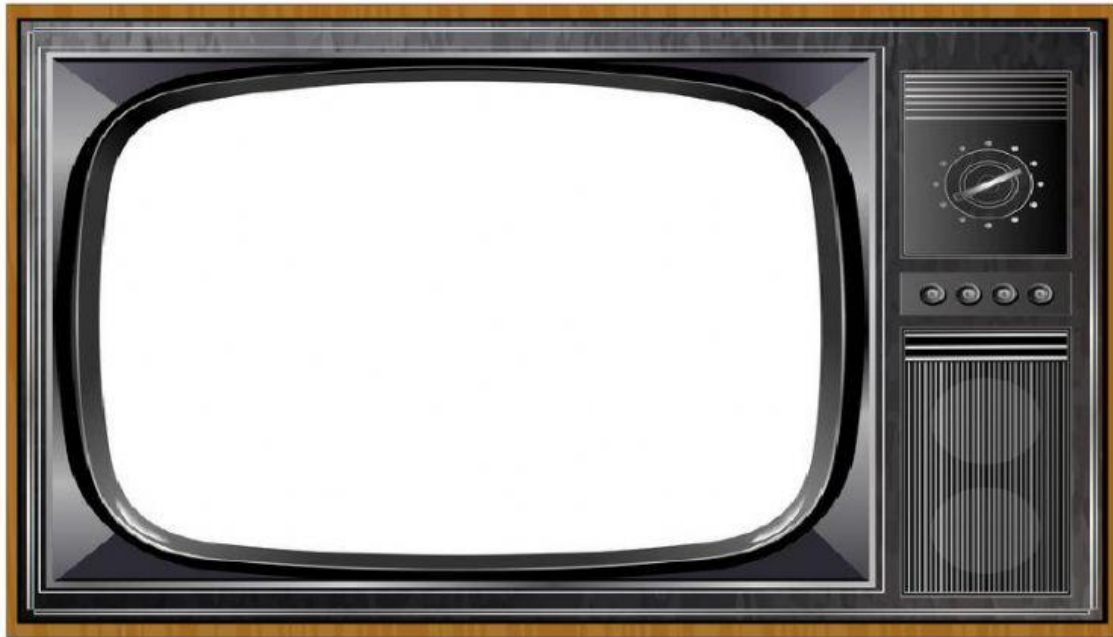


When do we use present perfect?



What is the correct grammar structure of present perfect tense?

+	S + have/has + past participle I have tried sushi.
-	S + have not (haven't)/has not (hasn't) + past participle I have not tried sushi.
?	Have/Has + subject + past participle? Have you tried sushi?

Let's read some examples...

1. Unspecified point in the past

- I **have been** to Spain three times.
(At some unspecified time in the past, I went to Spain).

Compare with the simple past:

- I went to Spain three times in 2005.
(specified time in the past - the year 2005)

2. An action that occurred in the past, but has a result in the present (now)

- We can't find our luggage. **Have** you **seen** it?
(The luggage was lost in the past, do you know where it is now?)

3. Talking about general experiences (ever, never)

It usually refers to an event happening at some moment in your life.

- **Has** she ever **tried** Chilean wine before? (in her life)
- I've never **eaten** monkey brains before. (in my life)

4. Events that recently occurred (just)

- Do you want to go to a restaurant with me?
No, thanks. I've just **eaten** lunch. (I recently ate lunch.)

5. Events that have not occurred up to now (yet)

- Are Carlos and Rodrigo here? No, they **haven't arrived** yet. (they're still not here now)

6. Events that occurred before you expected (already)

- I've already **graduated** from University. (I expected to graduate at a later date.)

7. Events that began in the past and haven't changed (for, since)

- Mike **has worked** at Woodward for 3 years.
(Mike started working at Woodward 3 years ago and he still works there now.)
- Julie **has worked** at Woodward since September last year.
(Julie began working at Woodward in September of last year, and that hasn't changed - she still works here now.)

Let's do some exercises now...

1. Complete the chart of verbs

Base form Regular verbs	Past simple form of the verb	Past Participle form of the verb	Base form Irregular verbs	Past simple form of the verb	Past Participle form of the verb
PLAY			SWIM		
CLIMB			KEEP		
CALL			DO		
HELP			DRIVE		
DANCE			WIN		
JUMP			FLY		
LISTEN			MAKE		
START			BUY		
WATCH			MEET		
DANCE			BE		

2. Complete the sentences with the correct grammar structure of present perfect tense for **positive** sentences.

- She _____ (keep) the same shoes for 3 years.
- Max _____ (be) a musician since 2005.
- Rachel _____ (meet) Susan at the cinema.
- My sister _____ (watch) Netflix three times this week.
- The manager _____ (listen) your new single today!
- Your best friend _____ (make) a special cake for your birthday.
- I _____ (jump) from a plane once in my life.
- My cousins _____ (drive) to Argentina two times this year.
- Milly and Annie _____ (help) me with the Science project.
- Karen _____ (call) Peter 15 times this week!

3. Complete the sentences with the correct grammar structure of present perfect tense for **negative sentences.**

- She _____ (play) the guitar yet.
- Max _____ (dance) in the theater since 2005.
- Rachel _____ never _____ (fly) to New York.
- My sister _____ (swim) in the lake since Monday.
- My aunt _____ never _____ (climb) the Everest mountain.

4. Complete the sentences with the correct grammar structure of present perfect tense for **asking information.**

- _____ your best friend ever _____ (make) a special cake for your birthday?
- _____ you ever _____ (jump) from a plane?
- _____ she _____ (drive) to Argentina two times this year?
- _____ Milly and Annie _____ (help) you with the Science project?
- _____ Rachel _____ (fly) to New York?