

Past Simple or Present Perfect

3 Fill in the gaps with *have/has been* or *have/has gone*.

- 1 "Where are Mary and Steve?"
"They to Cornwall for the weekend."
- 2 Tom and Ken to the football match.
- 3 "Are you going to Vienna for your holiday?"
"No, I already to Vienna."
- 4 The Smiths to many European countries.
- 5 Your sister to the theatre tonight.
- 6 Dad to the supermarket. The fridge is full.
- 7 I have heard that London is a pretty city but I
..... never there.
- 8 Marie to the shops. She should be home by 9:00.

12 Put the verbs in brackets into the past simple or the present perfect simple.

- 1 A: (you/ever/be) to Paris?
B: Yes, we (spend) a month in Paris two years ago.
- 2 A: (you/see) Janice at the party?
B: No, I (see) her for weeks.
- 3 A: (Fred/visit) his grandparents in Italy?
B: Yes, he (go) to Italy last summer to see them.
- 4 A: I (eat) at *Martin's Steak House* last night – the food was delicious.
B: That's my favourite restaurant. I (eat) there many times.
- 5 A: (Mum/speak) to Jim?
B: Yes, she (call) him this morning.
- 6 A: (Michael/buy) a CD player?
B: No, he (not/save up) enough money yet.
- 7 A: (you/buy) a dress for the wedding yet?
B: No, I (not/find) anything that I really like.
- 8 A: (Sara/come) home from work yet?
B: No, she (call) and (say) that she's going to come home late tonight.

14.1 Are the underlined parts of these sentences right or wrong? Correct them where necessary.

- 1 I've lost my key. I can't find it anywhere. OK
- 2 Have you eaten a lot of sweets when you were a child? Did you eat
- 3 I've bought a new car. You must come and see it.
- 4 I've bought a new car last week.
- 5 Where have you been yesterday evening?
- 6 Lucy has left school in 1999.
- 7 I'm looking for Mike. Have you seen him?
- 8 Have you been to Paris?' 'Yes, many times.'
- 9 I'm very hungry. I haven't eaten much today.
- 10 When has this book been published?

14.2 Make sentences from the words in brackets. Use the present perfect or past simple.

- 1 (it / not / rain / this week) It hasn't rained this week.
- 2 (the weather / be / cold / recently) The weather
- 3 (it / cold / last week) It
- 4 (I / not / read / a newspaper yesterday) I
- 5 (I / not / read / a newspaper today)
- 6 (Emily / earn / a lot of money / this year)
- 7 (she / not / earn / so much / last year)
- 8 (you / have / a holiday recently?)

14.3 Put the verb into the correct form, present perfect or past simple.

- 1 'What's Madrid like?' 'I don't know. I haven't been (I / not / be) there.'
- 2 When _____ (I / get) home last night, _____ (I / be) very tired and _____ (I / go) straight to bed.
- 3 A: _____ (you / see) Lisa recently?
B: Yes, _____ (I / saw) her a few days ago.
- 4 I'm tired. _____ (I / not / sleep) well last night.
- 5 The bus drivers were on strike last week. _____ (there / be) no buses.
- 6 Mr Lee _____ (work) in a bank for 15 years. Then _____ (he / give) it up. Now he works as a gardener.
- 7 Mary lives in Dublin. _____ (she / live) there all her life.
- 8 A: _____ (you / go) to the cinema last night?
B: Yes, but _____ (it / be) a mistake. The film _____ (be) awful.
- 9 My grandfather _____ (die) before I was born. _____ (I / never / meet) him.
- 10 I don't know Karen's husband. _____ (I / never / meet) him.
- 11 It's nearly lunchtime, and _____ (I / not / see) Martin all morning. I wonder where he is.
- 12 'Where do you live?' 'In Boston.'
'How long _____ (you / live) there?' 'Five years.'
'Where _____ (you / live) before that?' 'In Chicago.'
'And how long _____ (you / live) in Chicago?' 'Two years.'

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