

Present Perfect or Past Simple

1. A How long have you _____ (play) the violin?
B Since I _____ (be) four. I _____ (love) music all my life.
A Was it a difficult instrument to learn?
B It _____ (be) very hard when I _____ (start).
2. A _____ your brother _____ (finish) university?
B Yes, he _____ (finish) three weeks ago.
A What's he going to do now?
B He _____ (not decide) yet.
3. A Where do your parents live?
B In Brighton. They _____ (live) there since last year. Before that they _____ (live) in Birmingham.
A Why _____ they _____ (leave) Birmingham?

B Because my dad _____ (retire), and they
_____ (want) to live near the sea.

4. A I _____ (see) Oliver yesterday. He
_____ (tell) me about your plans to move to
Australia.

B Yes, I'm very excited...and a bit nervous too.

A _____ you ever _____ (live) abroad
before?

B No, never. I _____ (never be) very interested
in travelling.

A How about your wife?

B Oh, Lily loves travelling! She _____ (visit)
lots of different countries.

5. A _____ you _____ (hear) about Andy
and Francesca?

B No. What?

A They _____ (separate).

B Really? That's a pity. I _____ (think) they
were very happy together.

6. A Is your brother married?

B Yes, he _____ (be) married for ages - about ten years. He _____ (meet) his wife Sarah when they were both at secondary school. They _____ (get) married when they _____ (be) only 18.