

Fill in the correct form of the verb in brackets: Past Simple or Present Perfect Simple

1. The weather around here _____ terrible in the last few weeks. **(BE)**
2. Maria _____ her suitcase last night. **(PACK)**
3. I _____ volleyball since I was a teenager. **(NOT PLAY)**
4. We _____ wash the dishes. They're all clean now **(HELP)**
5. They _____ the factory. – Really? When _____? **(CLOSE, THAT HAPPEN)**
6. _____ yet? **(YOUR BUSINESS COURSE – START)**
7. How long _____ that camera? – About a month. I _____ it because it was on sale just before Christmas. **(YOU HAVE, BUY)**
8. _____ last week's magazine? – It must be here because I _____ it on Monday. **(YOU SEE, BUY)**
9. The books you ordered _____. The delivery service _____ them an hour ago. **(ARRIVE, BRING)**
10. The Queen _____ her two-week tour through Australia yesterday. **(START)**
11. The plane from New York _____. The passengers are getting out. **(JUST LAND)**
12. We _____ a party at school for ages. **(NOT HAVE)**
13. I _____ a cold in school a few days ago and _____ ill ever since. **(CATCH, BE)**
14. Dinosaurs _____ around the earth millions of years ago. **(WANDER)**
15. Prices _____ up last year, but they _____ by 8% already this year. **(NOT GO, INCREASE)**
16. I'm so tired. I _____ all the way to the underground station. **(WALK)**
17. We _____ home from our holidays and getting ready to settle in. **(JUST COME)**
18. She _____ in London for three years. However, when her mom _____, she _____ to Leeds and _____ there ever since. **(LIVE, DIE, MOVE, LIVE)**
19. Dusty _____ a match so far this year. He is more successful than last year, when he _____ the first three matches. **(NEVER LOSE, LOSE)**
20. He _____ off the ladder and _____ his ankle. That's why he _____ in school for a while. **(FALL, BREAK, NOT BE)**

KEY

1. The weather around here **has been** terrible in the last few weeks. **(BE)**
2. Maria **packed** her suitcase last night. **(PACK)**
3. I **haven't played** volleyball since I was a teenager. **(NOT PLAY)**
4. We **have helped** wash the dishes. They're all clean now **(HELP)**
5. They **have closed** the factory. – Really? When **did that happen?** **(CLOSE, THAT HAPPEN)**
6. **Has your business course started** yet? **(YOUR BUSINESS COURSE – START)**
7. How long **have you had** that camera? – About a month. I **bought** it because it was on sale just before Christmas. **(YOU HAVE, BUY)**
8. **Have you seen** last week's magazine? – It must be here because I **bought** it on Monday. **(YOU SEE, BUY)**
9. The books you ordered **have arrived**. The delivery service **brought** them an hour ago. **(ARRIVE, BRING)**
10. The Queen **started** her two-week tour through Australia yesterday. **(START)**
11. The plane from New York **has just landed**. The passengers are getting out. **(JUST LAND)**
12. We **haven't had** a party at school for ages. **(NOT HAVE)**
13. I **caught** a cold in school a few days ago and **have been** ill ever since. **(CATCH, BE)**
14. Dinosaurs **wandered** around the earth millions of years ago. **(WANDER)**
15. Prices **didn't go** up last year, but they **have increased** by 8% already this year. **(NOT GO, INCREASE)**
16. I'm so tired. I **have walked** all the way to the underground station. **(WALK)**
17. We **have just come** home from our holidays and getting ready to settle in. **(JUST COME)**
18. She **lived** in London for three years. However, when her mom **died**, she **moved** to Leeds and **has lived** there ever since. **(LIVE, DIE, MOVE, LIVE)**
19. Dusty **has never lost** a match so far this year. He is more successful than last year, when he **lost** the first three matches. **(NEVER LOSE, LOSE)**
20. He **fell** off the ladder and **broke** his ankle. That's why he **hasn't been** in school for a while. **(FALL, BREAK, NOT BE)**