

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**)