



Present perfect and past simple

Exercise1: Write pairs of sentences using the present perfect and the past simple form of the verbs in brackets.

1. a) You _____ (change)! (present perfect)
b) You _____ (have) long hair the last time I saw you. (past simple)
2. a) Maria _____ (break) her leg. (present perfect)
b) She _____ (do) it on her skiing holiday last month. (past simple)
3. a) My parents _____ (buy) a new car. (present perfect)
b) They _____ (get) it yesterday. (past simple)
4. a) They _____ (paint) the house. (present perfect)
b) Adam _____ (choose) all the colors. (past simple)

Exercise2: Circle the correct words.

1. How many times have you **been** / **gone** Segovia?
2. Have you **been** / **gone** to the Guggenh Museum in Bilbao?
3. Vicki isn't here. She has **been** / **gone** to the cinema with her friends.
4. I'm at home on my own. Everyone's **been** / **gone** for a walk by the river.
5. They **had** / **have had** that dog for about three months.
6. Karen **has lived** / **lived** in Paris from 2001 to 2008.
7. 'Do you like duck?' 'I don't know. I **'ve never eaten** / **didn't eat** it.'
8. Sue can drive us to the airport. She **has passed** / **passed** her test yesterday.





Exercise 3: Complete the dialogues with the present perfect or the past simple form of the verbs in brackets.

Beth: (1) _____ (you ever be) to Italy?

John: Yes, we (2) _____ (have) a holiday in Pisa three years ago.

Beth: (3) _____ (you / fly) there?

John: No, we (4) _____ (drive).

Liz: Where's Ben? (5) _____ (you / see) him anywhere?

Pete: Yes, he (6) _____ (go) to the gym five minutes ago.

Liz: What about Luke?

Pete: I don't know. I (7) _____ (not see) him since lunchtime.

Ann: Do you know Penny's brother?

Jim: I (8) _____ (see) him a few times at parties, but I

(9) _____ (never speak) to him. (10) _____ (you / ever / talk) to him?

Ann: Yes. I (11) _____ (meet) him after the match on Saturday. He's really nice.

