

Past Simple or Present Perfect?

Read this dialogue between Adela and another guest she meets at a Paris hotel bar. Put the verbs (in brackets) into the past simple or present perfect.

Guest: Good evening, and isn't it a beautiful evening!

Adela: Yes, it is. It's warm, but not too hot. Not like my city!

Guest: Oh, where are you from?

Adela: Seville, in Spain. _____ (you / be) there?

Guest: Yes, I _____ (go) last summer, and it _____ (be) very hot!

Adela: That's right – it can get up to more than 45 degrees! Where are you from?

Guest: I'm from England. _____ (you / be) to London?

Adela: Yes, I _____ (be) there a few times. Is this your first visit to Paris?

Guest: No, but I _____ (not be) for years and it's so different now.

Adela: Yes, I'm sure it _____ (change) a lot since then. It's my first time here.

Today I _____ (walk) to the Pompidou Centre.

Guest: What a coincidence – so did I! I _____ (want) to go to the Louvre, but the queue _____ (be) so long I _____ (decide) not to wait.

Adela: Me too! I'm Adela, by the way – and you?

Guest: My name's Lucy – nice to meet you.

Adela: Nice to meet you, too. Are you travelling alone?

Guest: No, I'm with a tour group. We _____ (be) to six French cities so far.

Adela: Wow! I _____ (never / do) a tour like that.

Guest: And what about you? Are you here alone?

Adela: Yes ... my sister _____ (come) here with me, but she _____ (go) back to Spain now. If you're free tomorrow, we could try to visit the Louvre again?

Guest: Great idea, but let's go early to avoid the queues. See you at breakfast!