

LEARN

2.1 Present Perfect

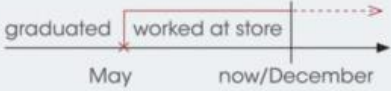
Statements		
	Subject + <i>Have/Has (Not)</i> + Past Participle	
Affirmative	I have visited many countries.	
Negative	Tom hasn't seen the photos of my trip.	

Questions		Answers
	(Wh-) + <i>Have/Has</i> + Subject + Past Participle	
Yes/No	Have you visited the Arctic? Has Paul taken many photos?	No, I haven't . Yes, he has .
Wh-	What have you heard ? Who has he met ?	Nothing. Why? An explorer.

	Who/What + <i>Has</i> + Past Participle	
Who or What as Subject	Who has completed the assignment? What has happened ?	Only one student (has) . Nothing, yet.

1. Use the present perfect for	
a. actions or events that started in the past and continue in the present;	a.  We have lived in Canada for a long time.
b. an action or event that happened at an indefinite time in the past;	b.  He has traveled to Antarctica.
c. recently completed actions or events; <i>just</i> is common with this use of the present perfect.	c.  A tornado has just hit downtown.
2. Use the present perfect to connect the past to the present.	She has taught school for 20 years. Now she wants to write a book.
3. <i>Already, always, ever, and never</i> often come before the past participle. <i>Yet</i> and <i>so far</i> are common at the end of a sentence.	The employees have already left work. It's late. Have you ever seen a kangaroo? She hasn't called yet . I expect the call soon. The speeches have been good so far . There's one more.

2.2 Present Perfect with *For* and *Since*

Use <i>for</i> or <i>since</i> with actions or events that started in the past and continue to the present.	
a. Use <i>for</i> + an amount of time (number of days, months, . . .).	a. Jo has worked at this store for six months .
b. Use <i>since</i> + a specific past time (exact date, time, month, . . .).	b. He hasn't been a student since May .
c. Use a past time clause with <i>since</i> .	c. I've known him since he graduated .

Complete the sentences. Use the present perfect form of the verb in parentheses. Then write since or for.

1. People in many countries enjoy ice swimming. It became popular several decades ago. People have enjoyed (enjoy) ice swimming for several decades.
2. The first Canadian Polar Bear Swim was in 1920. It is still an annual event. The Canadian Polar Bear Swim _____ (be) an annual event _____ 1920.
3. Our town had its first New Year's Day swim in 2010. Our town still has this swim. Our town _____ (have) a New Year's Day swim _____ many years.
4. I wanted to swim with the Polar Bears when I was 13. I'm 23 and I still want to do it. I _____ (want) to swim with the Polar Bears _____ ten years.
5. The only sport my brother does is winter swimming. He _____ (not play) any other sport _____ he was a teenager.
6. My father doesn't participate anymore. His last winter swim was four years ago. My father _____ (not participate) _____ four years.
7. My cousin always jumps into the water first. He did this last year and the year before. My cousin _____ (always / jump) into the water first _____ he joined the Polar Bears.
8. We all love winter swimming. We loved our first experience, and we still love it. We _____ (love) winter swimming _____ we first tried it.