

Present Perfect vs Past Simple

1 Choose the correct option (a or b).

1 ___ to the west coast of Ireland? It's beautiful.
a Did you ever go b Have you ever been

2 I ___ a lot of interesting cities in my life, but I think New York is my favourite.
a 've visited b visited

3 I ___ Mexican food a few times, but it's too spicy for me.
a 've tried b tried

4 You should get your postcard soon. I ___ it a week ago.
a 've posted b posted

5 My dad ___ about two hundred photos on this holiday so far.
a has taken b took

6 ___ any souvenirs when you were in Canada?
a Have you bought b Did you buy

2 Complete with the present perfect or past simple.

1 Maria **has broken** her leg. She **broke** it two days ago. (break)

2 I my sunglasses. I them last week. (lose)

3 Mr and Mrs Hicks their house. They it in April. (sell)

4 They're on holiday. They to Japan. They to Japan last year, too. (go)

5 I my homework. I it this morning. (do)

6 We the tickets for the concert. We them on Friday. (buy)

3 Complete the dialogue with the verbs below. Use the present perfect or past simple.

go go never go not have stay visit

Max 1 you to Portugal?
Lucy Yes, I 2 there last summer.
Max 3 you Porto?
Lucy No, we 4 time. We 5 in Lisbon.
Max I'd like to see Lisbon. I 6 there.

4 Make sentences from the words in brackets. Use the present perfect or past simple.

1 (it / not / rain / this week) **It hasn't rained this week.**

2 (the weather / be / cold / recently) The weather

3 (it / cold / last week) It

4 (I / not / read / a newspaper yesterday) I

5 (I / not / read / a newspaper today)