



Which of the following expressions are used with the past simple and which are used with the present perfect? Which are used with both?

in 2010

since 2009

yet

this week

yesterday

ever

recently

last year

six months ago

with the past simple

with the present perfect

with both



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Complete this short business brief about Vietnam using the past simple or the present perfect forms of the verbs in brackets.

Vietnam _____ (go) through many changes in its history and _____ (experience) many economic changes recently. It is currently experiencing an economic boom. In 1986, the government _____ (introduce) economic reforms or *doi moi* (*doi* meaning 'change' and *moi*, 'new'). The reforms _____ (permit) the setting up of free market enterprises and _____ (abolish) the practice of collective farming.

However, agriculture remains the most important part of the economy. Vietnam _____ (recently/become) the second largest producer of rice in the world after Thailand. The industrial sector _____ (show) dramatic improvement and expansion as well. In 1993, the World Bank _____ (declare) 58% of the population to be living in poverty. By 2005, this figure was less than 20%.

Vietnam _____ (also/make) great strides on the international stage in the last decade or so. It _____ (become) a full member of ASEAN in 1995, and of the WTO in 2006. The effects of this new-found prosperity can be seen everywhere. Large, glitzy malls _____ (appear) in major cities, while streets once filled with bicycles are now overflowing with locally produced Japanese, Korean and Chinese motorbikes and cars.