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

FINE & FLOW
www.fineandflow.com
LIVEWORKSHEETS

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.

LIVEWORKSHEETS