

The present perfect with ever



We use the question form of the present perfect + **ever** to ask about a person's life experience. The word **ever** means 'in your life up to now'. We can respond using short answers.

*Have Mum and Dad **ever** sailed a yacht?*
*No, they **haven't**.*

*Has Tom **ever** brought home a dangerous insect?*
*Yes, he **has**.*

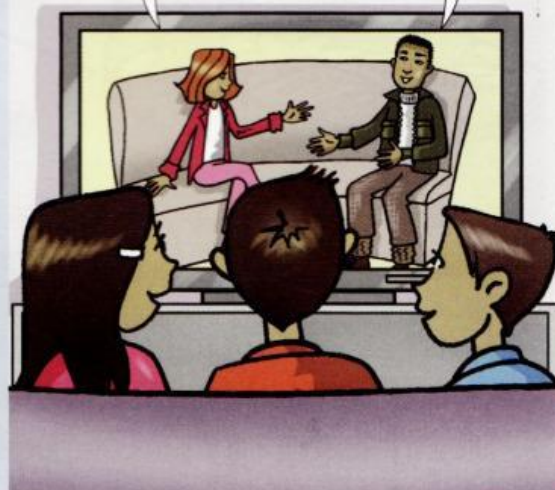
The past participle of the verbs **be** and **go** is the same.

be *Olly was on TV last week.*
*Have you **ever been** on TV?*

go *Jamie has travelled a lot.*
*Has he **ever been** to the desert?*

Where's the coldest place you've lived? Have you **ever** lived in the mountains?

Yes, I have.



1 Write the words in the correct order to make questions.

- 1 lived / ever / you / village / a / have / in

Have you ever lived in a village?

- 2 your / a volcano / have / seen / ever / grandparents

- 3 has / Jim / met / a diver / ever

- 4 ocean / sailed / across / I / an / ever / have

- 5 a child / ever / Mount Everest / has / climbed

- 6 you / been / have / to / ever / Australia

- 7 it / ever / snowed / has / July / in

- 8 had / have / English / ever / an / you / penfriend

2 Look at the table. Write questions and short answers. Use ever.

	find any money	be in a big storm	meet a famous explorer	rescued anyone	go to a rainforest	climb a volcano
You	1 ✗	✓	2 ✗	3 ✓	✗	4 ✓
Ed	✓	5 ✗	✗	6 ✗	7 ✓	8 ✗

- 1 Have you ever found any money? No, I haven't.
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____
- 5 _____
- 6 _____
- 7 _____
- 8 _____

3 Write short answers.

- 1 Have Jake and Bella ever seen a tiger? ✗ No, they haven't.
- 2 Have you ever visited America? ✓ _____
- 3 Have we ever had ice cream at 7 a.m.? ✗ _____
- 4 Has Ethan ever gone to school by taxi? ✗ _____
- 5 Have you ever travelled abroad? ✓ _____
- 6 Has Grandpa ever been in a cave? ✓ _____
- 7 Have Mum and Dad ever seen a lifeboat? ✗ _____
- 8 Have I ever spent a week in a tent? ✓ _____

4 Complete the text. Use the verbs in brackets and ever.

- 1 Have you ever been (go) to England? Yes, I _____.
- 2 _____ your team _____ (win) a trophy? Yes, my team
_____ (win) lots of trophies.
- 3 _____ Gary _____ (ride) a bike? No, he _____.
- 4 _____ Ted and Lewis _____ (go) to an oasis? No, they _____.
- 5 _____ I _____ (meet) your brother? No, you _____.