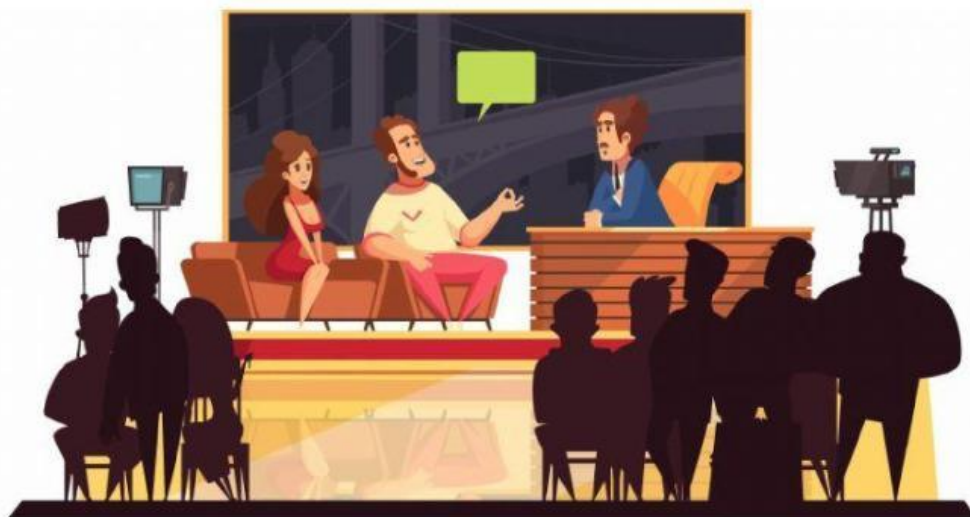


GRAMMAR

PRESENT PERFECT VS SIMPLE PAST

The winning team

A film has just won a prize. Host Ted has interviewed the director, Mike, and the star, Liz, for his talk show. Fill in the gaps using the verbs in brackets in the present perfect or the past simple.



Ted: How long _____ (you/know) each other?

Mike: We _____ (meet) two years ago.

Ted: And when _____ (you/decide) to make a film together?

Mike: Oh, very quickly.

Liz: We _____ (begin) immediately.

Mike: It was hard work, and seven months ago our money _____ (run) out.

Liz: That was frightening!

Mike: Yes. We _____ (have) to borrow a million pounds and of course, we _____ (not pay) it all back yet.

Ted: But now your film _____ (win) this prize, all your problems _____ (disappear).

Mike: I hope so.

Ted: And _____ (you/plan) next film yet?

Liz: We want to make another film soon, but we still _____ (not choose) the story.

Ted: Well congratulations, on this one.

Mike: Thank you. Lots of people _____ (help) us last year and we want to thank everyone.

Liz: Because they're the best team in the world!

Present Perfect vs Simple Past