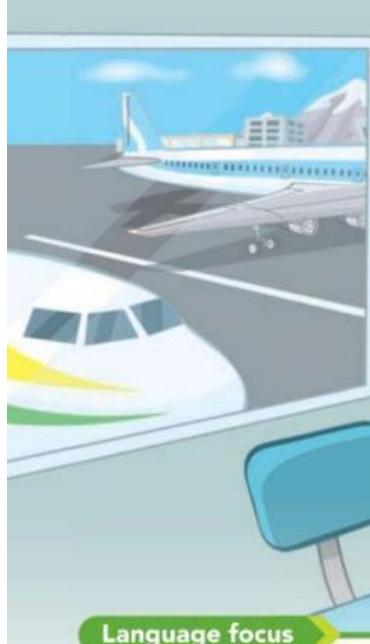


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Present perfect with already and yet



My sister loves travelling. **She's already been** to Egypt, Turkey, the USA, Kenya, the UK, Spain, Italy and Australia. Amazing!

Language focus

Use **present perfect** with **already** to talk about actions which have happened before now. **Already** means 'before now' or 'before this time'.

This is the form of the sentence: **has / have + already + past participle**

I've already seen the new Star Wars film.

Already is also used to express surprise that something has happened so soon.

*Jane is only ten, but she has **already** won twenty swimming competitions.*

Use **present perfect** with **yet** to talk about actions which haven't happened up to now. **Yet** means 'up to now' or 'up to this moment in time'.

This is the form of the sentence: **hasn't / haven't + past participle + yet**

I haven't seen the new Star Wars film **yet**.

1 Write the past participles.

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| 1 be | been |
| 2 go | gone |
| 3 do | done |
| 4 have | had |
| 5 see | seen |

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| 6 make | made |
| 7 write | written |
| 8 read | read |
| 9 learn | learnt |
| 10 eat | eaten |

2

Complete the sentences with the past participles from Activity 1 and *yet* or *already*.

- 1 My parents have travelled all over the world, but they haven't been to New Zealand yet.
- 2 Neil is incredible! He's learned English, Spanish, Chinese and Arabic.
- 3 What a week! We've taken exams in French, Geography and Science.
- 4 I haven't baked the cake yet. Would you like to help me?
- 5 I don't want anything, thanks. I've eaten lunch.
- 6 Joby's left out. He decided to go earlier than planned.
- 7 I haven't seen that new cartoon about pirates.
- 8 Hannah's written half of her story for the English class.
- 9 Sorry, I can't come to the park now. I haven't done my homework.
- 10 I've just finished reading *The Lord of the Rings* trilogy, but my sister hasn't read the first book.

3

Complete the text with the verbs from the box in the correct form and *yet* or *already*.

think go write break read have

Mr Hannon said, 'Write about your experiences for homework.' I said, 'Mr Hannon, I'm only twelve. I don't think I've (1) had any experiences yet.' Mr Hannon laughed. 'Of course you have,' he said. 'Have a think about it.'

I've (2) thought about it, and I guess I have had some experiences. For example, I've (3) broken my right leg twice, but I hope I don't do it a third time. Oh, and I've (4) gone to the moon. I went last Wednesday, but only in a dream. I've (5) written 114 books (yes, I am counting) and I've (6) read four stories about a sad mouse called Richard, and the local newspaper has published them all. 'Well,' said Mr Hannon when I showed him my homework. 'You see? You've already experienced a lot. You just had to think about it.'

4

Write about your experiences.

- 1 I've already done my homework.
- 2 I've already had a holiday.
- 3 I've already written an email.
- 4 I've already read the book.
- 5 I haven't done my homework yet.
- 6 I haven't had a holiday yet.
- 7 I haven't written an email yet.
- 8 I haven't read the book yet.