

Past Simple vs Present Perfect – Interactive Worksheet

Part 1: Grammar Reminder

Past Simple – use for completed actions in the past (yesterday, last year, in 2010...)

Present Perfect – use for actions with a connection to now (ever, never, just, already, yet, since, for...)

Tense	Form	Example
Past Simple	Verb + -ed / irregular verb	I visited Rome in 2020.
Present Perfect	have/has + past participle	She has visited Rome.

Part 2: Choose the correct tense

(Use drop-down menus in Liveworksheets)



1. I (have seen / saw) that movie three times.
2. We (have finished / finished) our homework an hour ago.
3. She (has just left / just left) the building.
4. They (went / have gone) to Paris last summer.
5. My brother (has broken / broke) his phone again!
6. I (have never eaten / never ate) sushi before.

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Use either Past Simple or Present Perfect:

7. I _____ (read) that book already.
8. They _____ (arrive) at the party at 9 p.m.
9. She _____ (not see) this film yet.
10. We _____ (visit) Spain in 2019.
11. He _____ (never / be) to New York.
12. You _____ (just / miss) the bus!

Part 4: Write your own sentences

Write 2 sentences in the Past Simple:

13. _____

14. _____

Write 2 sentences in the Present Perfect:

15. _____

16. _____