

PRESENT PERFECT OR PAST SIMPLE

Using the Present Perfect or the Past Simple, complete the following jokes:

1. A: _____ you _____ (be) to America before?

B: No. This is my first time.

A: Did you know that Christopher Columbus _____ (find) America?

B: Really? I never knew it was lost!

2. A: When you _____ (sell) me this car this morning, you _____ (say) it was trouble-free. Since then, the brakes _____ (fail) and the door _____ (fall) off.

B: Well, sir, I did sell you the car, but the trouble was free!

3. A: Doctor, I _____ (have) a sore stomach ever since I _____ (eat) three crabs last week.

B: _____ they _____ (smell) bad when you _____ (take) them out of their shells?

A: What do you mean – took them out of their shells?

4. A: Now, _____ everyone _____ (read) the chapter on Lord Nelson for homework?

B: Yes, sir.

A: Kevin, in which battle _____ Lord Nelson _____ (die)?

B: Er, his last one, sir?

5. A: I _____ (buy) this diamond ring from a man in the street. It's for my girlfriend.

B: Are they real diamonds?

A: I hope so. If not, the man _____ just _____ (cheat) me out of £5.

6. A: How's your sister? She _____ (go) on a very strict diet to lose weight. And how is she getting on?

B: Fine. She _____ (disappear) last week.

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Advertisement (N): bài quảng cáo

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Trouble (N): rắc rối

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7. A: Mrs Smith is very unhappy. She thinks she _____ (lose) her cat.

B: When _____ she last _____ (see) it?

A: Four days ago.

A: Why doesn't she put an advertisement in the newspaper?

B: Don't be silly. Her cat can't read.

8. A: My dad _____ never _____ (visit) the dentist.

B: My dad will never go back to the dentist.

A: Why? What happened?

B: The dentist _____ (take) all his teeth out.

A: What _____ your dad _____ (say)?

B: Never again! Never again!

9. Robert was fishing in a private lake. An old man came up to him and asked:

A: _____ you _____ (catch) anything?

B: Yes. Three big fish since I _____ (start) this morning.

A: My name is Lord Anton, and I own this lake.

B: Oh. My name is Robert and I'm a terrible liar!

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