

6 Complete the sentences. Use the present perfect form of the verb in parentheses. Then write *since* or *for*.

- People in many countries enjoy ice swimming. It became popular several decades ago.
People have enjoyed (enjoy) ice swimming for several decades.
- The first Canadian Polar Bear Swim was in 1920. It is still an annual event.
The Canadian Polar Bear Swim _____ (be) an annual event _____ 1920.
- Our town had its first New Year's Day swim in 2010. Our town still has this swim.
Our town _____ (have) a New Year's Day swim _____ many years.
- I wanted to swim with the Polar Bears when I was 13. I'm 23 and I still want to do it.
I _____ (want) to swim with the Polar Bears _____ ten years.
- The only sport my brother does is winter swimming. He _____ (not play) any other sport _____ he was a teenager.
- My father doesn't participate anymore. His last winter swim was four years ago.
My father _____ (not participate) _____ four years.
- My cousin always jumps into the water first. He did this last year and the year before.
My cousin _____ (always / jump) into the water first _____ he joined the Polar Bears.
- We all love winter swimming. We loved our first experience, and we still love it.
We _____ (love) winter swimming _____ we first tried it.

2.3 Present Perfect and Simple Past

1. The present perfect is used for a. actions or events that started in the past and continue to the present; b. completed actions or events with a connection to the present.	a. Mary is our math teacher. She has taught here for five years. b. The children have read the rules. They're ready to play the game now.
2. The simple past is used for completed actions or events.	She taught math ten years ago. Now she works in finance.
3. With the present perfect, the exact time of the action or event is not given. With the simple past, the exact time of the past action or event is given or understood.	✓ They have gone to Morocco. ✗ They have gone to Morocco <u>last month</u> . ✓ They went to Morocco last month . ✓ Did you sleep well?
4. Use the present perfect with a time period that has not ended yet. Use the simple past with a completed past time period.	I've called her twice this morning . (It's still morning. I may call her again.) I called her twice yesterday .

7 Circle the correct form of the verb to complete each sentence.

1. a. She **has dreamed** / **dreamed** about going to the North Pole since she was young.
b. She **has dreamed** / **dreamed** about going to the North Pole last night.
2. a. I **have never photographed** / **never photographed** animals in the wild before.
b. We **have not photographed** / **didn't photograph** animals when we were in Alaska.
3. a. Last year, my grandfather **has gone** / **went** to Iceland on business twice.
b. My grandfather **has gone** / **went** to Iceland on business twice since 2005.
4. a. They **haven't seen** / **didn't see** any bears on their trip so far.
b. They **haven't seen** / **didn't see** any bears on their trip last month.

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