

## Present perfect and past perfect

A. Fill in the blanks with either **have** or **has** to complete the sentences.

1. Brazil \_\_\_\_\_ produced some of the world's best football players.
2. The French \_\_\_\_\_ influenced global fashion for centuries.
3. Japan \_\_\_\_\_ developed some of the fastest trains on Earth.
4. Many Spanish speakers \_\_\_\_\_ moved to the United States recently.
5. Arabic \_\_\_\_\_ become one of the most studied languages in the world.
6. The Egyptians \_\_\_\_\_ preserved their history through incredible monuments.
7. Canada \_\_\_\_\_ welcomed immigrants from all over the globe.
8. Mandarin \_\_\_\_\_ grown in popularity among business professionals.
9. Australians \_\_\_\_\_ enjoyed a very high quality of life for decades.
10. Italy \_\_\_\_\_ given us some of the most famous art in history.

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B. Use present perfect or past perfect (choose the correct form) and fill in the blanks.

**Present Perfect** (has/have + past participle) and the **Past Perfect** (had + past participle), look for context clues:

- **Present Perfect:** Use this for actions that happened at an unspecified time or continue to have an impact **now**.
  - **Past Perfect:** Use this for an action that was completed **before** another specific action or time in the past (the "past of the past").
1. By the time I visited Mexico last summer, I \_\_\_\_\_ (study) Spanish for three years.
  2. Germany \_\_\_\_\_ (become) a leader in green energy over the last decade.
  3. The Japanese chef realized he \_\_\_\_\_ (forget) to order the fresh tuna before the market closed.
  4. I am not hungry because I \_\_\_\_\_ (already/eat) a large Italian dinner.
  5. Before moving to Seoul, Sarah \_\_\_\_\_ (never/try) Korean food.
  6. Egypt \_\_\_\_\_ (suffer) from many heatwaves recently due to climate change.
  7. The British tourists were lost because they \_\_\_\_\_ (lose) their map earlier that morning.
  8. Mandarin \_\_\_\_\_ (be) my favorite subject since I started school.
  9. By the time the plane landed in India, the passengers \_\_\_\_\_ (be) in the air for ten hours.
  10. We \_\_\_\_\_ (visit) Switzerland many times, so we know the train system well.

11. I (visit) \_\_\_\_\_ Spain twice this year; I love Spanish culture.
12. By the time she arrived, he \_\_\_\_\_ already (learn) \_\_\_\_\_ some French phrases in France.
13. They (live) \_\_\_\_\_ in Germany since 2018 and speak German fluently now.
14. Before the conference, we (read) \_\_\_\_\_ several Italian articles about Italian art.
15. He (try) \_\_\_\_\_ sushi in Japan before he moved there.
16. She (study) \_\_\_\_\_ Chinese for three years, so she can now read basic Chinese texts.
17. When I called him, he (already / meet) \_\_\_\_\_ the Russian ambassador.
18. We (never / be) \_\_\_\_\_ to Brazil, but we (study) \_\_\_\_\_ Brazilian Portuguese online.
19. After they (finish) \_\_\_\_\_ the workshop, the Mexican students (return) \_\_\_\_\_ home.
20. By last month, I (live) \_\_\_\_\_ in India for two years and had learned some Hindi.

### C. Fill in the Blanks

1. We have lived in **Rome** for five years, so we have finally mastered the \_\_\_\_\_ language.
2. By the time the ship reached the **Netherlands**, the \_\_\_\_\_ crew had already braved a massive storm.
3. Although she is \_\_\_\_\_, she has never actually visited **Poland**.
4. **Austria** has always been famous for its mountains, but did you know the official language is \_\_\_\_\_?
5. Before they moved to **Lisbon**, they had never heard a word of \_\_\_\_\_ spoken in person.
6. The \_\_\_\_\_ government has recently passed a new law to protect the canals in **Amsterdam**.
7. Because **Switzerland** has four official languages, many \_\_\_\_\_ citizens have learned to speak at least three of them.
8. I had never met anyone from **Kyiv** until I met my \_\_\_\_\_ neighbor last month.
9. **Greece** has attracted millions of tourists this year who want to see ancient \_\_\_\_\_ ruins.
10. By the time the sun set over **Madrid**, the \_\_\_\_\_ hikers had walked over 20 kilometers.

D.I have hidden **10 mistakes** in the text. These include:

- **Tense errors:** Using Present Perfect where it should be Past Perfect (or vice versa).
- **Vocabulary errors:** Using the wrong Country, Nationality, or Language.
- **Spelling/Form errors:** Mixing up the suffix for Northern European words.

## The Northern Exposure Diary

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My trip through Northern Europe is almost over! Before I arrived in **Copenhagen** last week, I **have never seen** (1) so many bicycles in my life. The **Denmark** (2) people are so friendly, though I struggled because I **has not learned** (3) any **Danish** before I arrived.

After that, I headed to **Oslo**. By the time I checked into my hotel, the **Norway** (4) sun **has already set** (5). It was freezing! Luckily, I met some **Sweden** (6) tourists who spoke perfect English. They told me they **have traveled** (7) through **Finland** the month before, where they **had saw** (8) the Northern Lights.

Now, I am in **Reykjavik**. I **have just finished** (9) a bowl of traditional soup. The **Icelander** (10) landscape is truly like another planet. I never want to leave!