

GRAMMAR REFERENCE (PRESENT PERFECT AND PAST SIMPLE)

PRESENT PERFECT

Affirmative	Negative	Interrogative
I	I	I
You + have + Verb (past part.)	You + haven't + Verb (past part.)	Have + You + Verb (past part.)
We	We	We
They	They	They
He	He	He
She + has + Verb (past part.)	She + hasn't + Verb (past part.)	Has + She + Verb (past part.)
It	It	It

Time expressions

Already, yet, still, for, since

*Ever → to ask if someone has done something at any time in their life.

It goes after have / has and the subject, and before the past participle

Has Pete ever visited his aunt in Canada?

*Never → to say that we haven't done something in our life.

We use with the affirmative form of the verb. It goes between

have/ has and the past participle

They have never eaten Japanese food.

*Just → to talk about an event that has happened very recently.

We use it in affirmative sentences. It goes between have / has and the past participle.

I've just spoken to Rachelle on the phone.

Uses

-The present perfect is used to describe events which started in the past and continue in the present.

The Smith family has lived in Canada since 2013.

-It is also used to describe past events without exact time references.

They have tried all the games apps on their phones.

PAST SIMPLE

Time expressions

Yesterday, last night/week/month/year... at six o'clock, in the Winter, two weeks ago, etc

Uses

It is used to talk about an action or period of time in the past which is completed.

The Smith family moved to Canada two years ago.

Present perfect

1 Write the words in the correct order to make present perfect sentences. Use the correct form of the verbs.

pick up / Harry / have / a lot of Bulgarian words / already .

Harry has already picked up a lot of Bulgarian words.

1 have / an upsetting / have / Megan / experience .

2 yet / my software / update / you / Have ?

3 in an exam / be / since / Rebecca / 9 a.m. / have .

4 practise / still / our / have (not) / Italian / We .

5 ever / Moira and Ian / been / Have / to Spain ?

6 are / since / 2012 / Luke / in Cardiff / live .

7 just / We / Spanish / have / learning / started .

Present perfect and past simple

2 Complete the sentences with the correct present perfect or past simple form of the verbs in brackets.

I *charged* (charge) my laptop last night.

1 Maya _____ (text) me yet.

2 They _____ (make) the first Star Trek film in 1979.

3 Kiran _____ (buy) a smartphone last weekend.

4 I _____ already (ask) them for technical support.

5 The Nigerians _____ (play) talking drums since 2000 BC.

6 We _____ just (buy) new mobile phones

