

## PRESENT PERFECT - LET'S PRACTICE - TEACHER'S NOTES

### How to use the set

The aim of these activities is for students to revise and reinforce the basic rules for Present Perfect and show them the differences between Past Simple. The activities are designed to show multiple situations in which Present Perfect is used. The students get a lot of mixed practice to help them familiarize with the contexts as well as practice practical use of this grammar. Depending on your needs, pick the activities that suit your lesson plan to help the ss. Most of the activities are self-explanatory and are designed to provide self-assessment. Each activity has instructions for the ss under .

### Quick context overview

\* SS/T click the images and ask the questions about ss' experiences. Focus - Have you ever .... - ss answer the questions. Depending on the answer, ss continue the conversation or not. - the exercise is supposed to familiarize ss with the context of Present Perfect\* Time Perspective slide - T shows ss the time axes in order to demonstrate the difference between Past Simple and Present Perfect

### Past or Perfect

\* This activity helps ss familiarize with the context of Present Perfect by contrasting it with Past Simple. Ss choose between two verb forms that match the context of the sentence. It can be done as a pair work exercise or whole class where ss discuss their choices with the T.

### Past or Perfect - decide

\* These activities review ss' knowledge of the elements belonging to Present Perfect as well as verb forms. They are designed to help ss with the 3rd verb form and any Perfect elements.



## **Past of Perfect**

- Activity Goal: to help ss differentiate between two tense. Ss see the sentences with gaps and need to decide what tense goes where. It's a perfect exercise to help ss spot and understand the differences between the tenses.

## **Test it 1 / 2**

- \* These 2 sets of gapped sentences test ss' understanding of the rules. It's a self-assessment activity so the ss can do it individually or in pairs - altogether 30 examples.

## **Time expressions**

- Activity Goal: to review the meaning and use of the time expressions characteristic for Present Perfect. It's perfect for individual or pair work and helps ss figure it out on their own.
- \* Follow-up - the next slide contains the context sentences where ss need to put the expressions in and they can see how they are used in context.

## **Pair work - interview**

- Activity Goal: to put the knowledge into practice and help ss use it in speaking. This activity gives ss a chance to interview their friends and talk about their life experiences which later they can refer back either in a written or oral form. There are 2 slides to pick from: Student A and Student B. Each slide contains different ideas and a piece of space to make notes and write down the answers.

## **Correct it 1/2**

- \* Activity Goal: to develop ss' language awareness and spot the grammar mistakes in the context.

**Exercise 1 - multiple choice**

Read the sentences and pick the correct form of the verb - present perfect or past simple.

1. She (has visited / visited) London in 2019.
2. I (have never eaten / never ate) snails.
3. They (have already finished / finished) their homework yesterday.
4. We (went / have gone) to the cinema last night.
5. He (has lost / lost) his keys. Now he can't find them.
6. I (have just spoken / spoke) to her on the phone.
7. They (have played / played) football last Saturday.
8. She (has bought / bought) a new phone. Do you want to see it?
9. I (was / have been) to Paris three times.
10. He (met / has met) her yesterday at the café.
11. We (have lived / lived) in this house since 2010.
12. I (have lost / lost) my wallet yesterday.
13. She (has just finished / finished) her homework.
14. They (went / have gone) to Spain last summer.
15. He (has already seen / saw) that movie twice.
16. I (didn't see / haven't seen) her today.
17. We (have known / knew) each other for ten years.
18. She (has written / wrote) five books so far.
19. They (moved / have moved) to New York in 2020.
20. I (have never been / never was) to Japan.
21. He (broke / has broken) his leg last winter.
22. We (have already eaten / already ate) dinner.
23. She (was / has been) at the library this morning.
24. I (have done / did) my homework. Now I can relax.
25. They (didn't call / haven't called) us yesterday.
26. He (has never tried / never tried) sushi before.
27. We (visited / have visited) that museum last weekend.
28. I (have read / read) this book three times.
29. She (didn't finish / hasn't finished) her project yet.
30. They (have just arrived / arrived) at the airport.

**Exercise 2 - Past or Perfect - you decide**

Read the sentences and write the correct form of the verb - present perfect or past simple.

1. I \_\_\_\_\_ (never/try) sushi.
2. He \_\_\_\_\_ (see) that film last weekend.
3. They \_\_\_\_\_ (already/finish) their homework.
4. We \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to Spain in 2018.
5. She \_\_\_\_\_ (just/call) her mother.
6. I \_\_\_\_\_ (meet) him yesterday.
7. Have you ever \_\_\_\_\_ (be) to London?
8. They \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive) an hour ago.
9. He \_\_\_\_\_ (not/do) his homework yet.
10. She \_\_\_\_\_ (visit) Paris last year.
11. We \_\_\_\_\_ (already/see) that film.
12. I \_\_\_\_\_ (buy) this book last week.
13. They \_\_\_\_\_ (never/play) tennis.
14. He \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to the cinema yesterday.
15. I \_\_\_\_\_ (break) my phone two days ago.
16. She \_\_\_\_\_ (just/finish) her lunch.
17. We \_\_\_\_\_ (live) here since 2010.
18. He \_\_\_\_\_ (leave) five minutes ago.
19. They \_\_\_\_\_ (not/visit) Rome yet.
20. She \_\_\_\_\_ (study) French last year.
21. I \_\_\_\_\_ (already/read) that book.
22. \_\_\_\_\_ (see) him yesterday?
23. He \_\_\_\_\_ (never/eat) snails.
24. They \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to the park this morning.
25. She \_\_\_\_\_ (write) three emails today.
26. We \_\_\_\_\_ (watch) a film last night.
27. He \_\_\_\_\_ (already/clean) his room.
28. I \_\_\_\_\_ (not/meet) her before.
29. They \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive) late yesterday.
30. She \_\_\_\_\_ (just/paint) a picture.

### Exercise 3 - time expressions

Look at the definitions and the words. Match

1. before now, doesn't need doing again
2. in negatives, not happened
3. at any time
4. not ever
5. up to now
6. not long ago
7. a moment ago
8. from point in the past till now
9. period of time from the past till now
10. up to now, but not done
11. in questions, done?

- a. already**
- b. so far**
- c. yet**
- d. for**
- e. never**
- f. recently\lately**
- g. ever**
- h. just**
- i. since**
- j. still**
- k. yet**

1. \_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_ 6. \_\_\_ 7. \_\_\_ 8. \_\_\_ 9. \_\_\_ 10. \_\_\_ 11. \_\_\_

**Exercise 4 - Time expressions in practice**

Read the sentences and write the correct expression. Pick from the list.

**already, yet, yet, ever, never, recently\lately,  
for, just, since, still, so far**

1. I've lived in this city \_\_\_\_\_ more than ten years.
2. Have you \_\_\_\_\_ been to Paris?
3. She's \_\_\_\_\_ finished her project — she sent it this morning.
4. They haven't arrived \_\_\_\_\_.
5. We've been friends \_\_\_\_\_ we were kids.
6. I've \_\_\_\_\_ tried sushi, but I'd like to one day.
7. He's \_\_\_\_\_ bought a new laptop; it was on sale.
8. I haven't seen her \_\_\_\_\_ Christmas.
9. Have you \_\_\_\_\_ spoken to your teacher about the problem?
10. I've been feeling really tired \_\_\_\_\_; maybe I need a break.
11. She's lived in Italy \_\_\_\_\_ 2020.
12. We've \_\_\_\_\_ had any complaints about the new system — it's working well.
13. I haven't been to the gym \_\_\_\_\_ a few weeks.
14. I \_\_\_\_\_ haven't finished reading that book you lent me.
15. I've \_\_\_\_\_ come back from the dentist.
16. Have you finished your essay \_\_\_\_\_?
17. They've travelled a lot \_\_\_\_\_; they were in Spain last month.
18. \_\_\_\_\_, we haven't heard anything from the manager.
19. She's \_\_\_\_\_ received your message, so don't worry.
20. I've studied English \_\_\_\_\_ I was at secondary school.

## Exercise 5 - Pair work

Ask your friend questions about his/her experiences.

### Ask your friend - A

| Question                               | Yes       | No    |
|----------------------------------------|-----------|-------|
| 1. sing karaoke                        | 1. _____  | _____ |
| 2. stay up all night                   | 2. _____  | _____ |
| 3. bake a cake                         | 3. _____  | _____ |
| 4. fall asleep in class                | 4. _____  | _____ |
| 5. travel by train                     | 5. _____  | _____ |
| 6. lose your passport                  | 6. _____  | _____ |
| 7. see a shooting star                 | 7. _____  | _____ |
| 8. laugh until you cried               | 8. _____  | _____ |
| 9. swim in the sea at night            | 9. _____  | _____ |
| 10. try ice skating                    | 10. _____ | _____ |
| 11. be late for sth important          | 11. _____ | _____ |
| 12. buy something you never used       | 12. _____ | _____ |
| 13. send a message to the wrong person | 13. _____ | _____ |
| 14. watch a horror movie alone         | 14. _____ | _____ |
| 15. give a speech in front of people   | 15. _____ | _____ |
| 16. break something valuable           | 16. _____ | _____ |
| 17. take care of a pet                 | 17. _____ | _____ |
| 18. move to a new house or flat        | 18. _____ | _____ |
| 19. eat breakfast in bed               | 19. _____ | _____ |
| 20. sing in public                     | 20. _____ | _____ |
| 21. fall off your bike                 | 21. _____ | _____ |
| 22. visit another continent            | 22. _____ | _____ |
| 23. meet someone online                | 23. _____ | _____ |
| 24. go to a concert                    | 24. _____ | _____ |
| 25. forget your homework               | 25. _____ | _____ |

## Exercise 5 - Pair work

Ask your friend questions about his/her experiences.

### Ask your friend - B

| Question                         | Yes       | No    |
|----------------------------------|-----------|-------|
| 1. lose your phone               | 1. _____  | _____ |
| 2. dance in the rain             | 2. _____  | _____ |
| 3. meet a celebrity              | 3. _____  | _____ |
| 4. miss a flight                 | 4. _____  | _____ |
| 5. sleep under the stars         | 5. _____  | _____ |
| 6. ride a horse                  | 6. _____  | _____ |
| 7. see a shooting star           | 7. _____  | _____ |
| 8. eat sushi                     | 8. _____  | _____ |
| 9. see a dolphin or whale        | 9. _____  | _____ |
| 10. help an injured person       | 10. _____ | _____ |
| 11. sleep in a tent              | 11. _____ | _____ |
| 12. visit a castle               | 12. _____ | _____ |
| 13. learn to play the guitar     | 13. _____ | _____ |
| 14. travel abroad                | 14. _____ | _____ |
| 15. read a really long book      | 15. _____ | _____ |
| 16. cook dinner for your friends | 16. _____ | _____ |
| 17. fly in a helicopter          | 17. _____ | _____ |
| 18. get lost in a city           | 18. _____ | _____ |
| 19. be on television             | 19. _____ | _____ |
| 20. forget someone's birthday    | 20. _____ | _____ |
| 21. win a prize                  | 21. _____ | _____ |
| 22. climb a mountain             | 22. _____ | _____ |
| 23. meet someone online          | 23. _____ | _____ |
| 24. try surfing                  | 24. _____ | _____ |
| 25. break a bone                 | 25. _____ | _____ |

**Exercise 6 - Correct it**

**Read the sentences carefully and mark the mistake. Then correct it.**

**Part 1**

1. I visited London many times. \_\_\_\_\_
2. She has gone to Paris in 2019. \_\_\_\_\_
3. We never ate sushi. \_\_\_\_\_
4. He finished his homework just. \_\_\_\_\_
5. Have you seen that film last night? \_\_\_\_\_
6. I have already read this book. \_\_\_\_\_
7. She broke her leg just now. \_\_\_\_\_
8. They went to Italy three times. \_\_\_\_\_
9. He bought his phone two weeks ago. \_\_\_\_\_
10. I didn't see him for days. \_\_\_\_\_
11. We have visited Rome last year. \_\_\_\_\_
12. Did you ever try surfing? \_\_\_\_\_
13. She cleaned the room already today. \_\_\_\_\_

**Part 2**

1. I have lost my keys yesterday. \_\_\_\_\_
2. He has called her twice today. \_\_\_\_\_
3. We have played football last Saturday. \_\_\_\_\_
4. I never went to Australia. \_\_\_\_\_
5. Did she go to the party last night? \_\_\_\_\_
6. He opened the window just. \_\_\_\_\_
7. They knew each other for years. \_\_\_\_\_
8. I met him before. \_\_\_\_\_
9. We ate lunch at 1 o'clock. \_\_\_\_\_
10. She didn't finish her work yet. \_\_\_\_\_
11. I have seen that movie last weekend. \_\_\_\_\_
12. Did you ever see a rainbow? \_\_\_\_\_
13. He painted three pictures this week. \_\_\_\_\_

Answer key:

## Exercise 1

- |                     |                       |                        |
|---------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 1. visited          | 11. have lived        | 21. broke              |
| 2. have never eaten | 12. lost              | 22. have already eaten |
| 3. finished         | 13. has just finished | 23. was                |
| 4. went             | 14. went              | 24. have done          |
| 5. has lost         | 15. has already seen  | 25. didn't call        |
| 6. have just spoken | 16. haven't seen      | 26. has never tried    |
| 7. played           | 17. have known        | 27. visited            |
| 8. has bought       | 18. has written       | 28. have read          |
| 9. have been        | 19. moved             | 29. hasn't finished    |
| 10. met             | 20. have never been   | 30. have just arrived  |

## Exercise 2

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|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. have never tried      | 16. has just finished   |
| 2. saw                   | 17. have lived          |
| 3. have already finished | 18. left                |
| 4. went                  | 19. haven't visited     |
| 5. has just called       | 20. studied             |
| 6. met                   | 21. have already read   |
| 7. been                  | 22. did you see         |
| 8. arrived               | 23. has never eaten     |
| 9. hasn't done           | 24. went                |
| 10. visited              | 25. has written         |
| 11. have already seen    | 26. watched             |
| 12. bought               | 27. has already cleaned |
| 13. have never played    | 28. haven't met         |
| 14. went                 | 29. arrived             |
| 15. broke                | 30. has just painted    |

## Exercise 3

1. a 2. c 3. g 4. e 5. b 6. f 7. h 8. i 9. d 10. j 11. k

Answer key:

## Exercise 4

- |                     |                     |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| 1. for              | 11. since           |
| 2. ever             | 12. never           |
| 3. already          | 13. for             |
| 4. yet              | 14. still           |
| 5. since            | 15. just            |
| 6. never            | 16. yet             |
| 7. just             | 17. recently/lately |
| 8. since            | 18. So far          |
| 9. ever             | 19. already         |
| 10. recently/lately | 20. since           |

## Exercise 5

Ss' own answers

## Exercise 6

### Part 1

1. have visited...
2. went...
3. have never eaten...
4. has just finished...
5. Did you see...
6. correct
7. has broken...
8. have been...
9. correct
10. haven't seen...
11. visited...
12. Have you ever tried...
13. has already cleaned...

### Part 2

1. I lost...
2. has called...
3. played...
4. have never been...
5. correct
6. has just opened...
7. have known...
8. have met...
9. correct
10. hasn't finished...
11. saw...
12. Have you ever...
13. has painted...

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