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Solutions Intermediate 2B Present Perfect vs. Past simple

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Listening

7  1 Listen to five speakers talking about their families. Match the speakers (1–5) with the statements (A–F). There is one extra statement.

- A Speaker ___ tells people about the life of an author.
- B Speaker ___ is going to stay in his / her new country.
- C Speaker ___ complains about his / her parents.
- D Speaker ___ talks about a relative's husband.
- E Speaker ___ introduces a programme for young people.
- F Speaker ___ talks about how a place has changed.



Do you know anybody with a strange hobby?





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Mike Fountaine has the world's largest collection of McDonald's memorabilia. The sixty-year-old McDonald's employee **has spent almost fifty years** collecting everything to do with the fast-food restaurant. He **has already filled** nine rooms of his house with 75,000 objects, including toys, badges, cups and uniforms!

Mike **has been** at McDonald's **since 1968**. His first job **was** cooking Big Macs. **A year later** he **began** collecting badges, and he **hasn't stopped** since! **A few years ago**, Mike **opened** his own McDonald's restaurant. He **has decorated** it with memorabilia. 'People say it's the most beautiful McDonald's restaurant they **'ve ever seen**,' says Mike proudly.

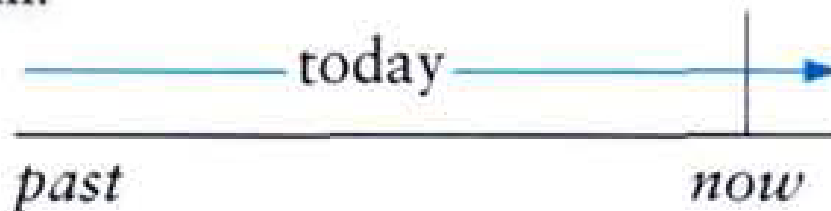
Memorabilia = things that are remarkable and worthy of remembrance

Present Perfect for ...

We talk about a period of time continues **from past until now**

Or the **time** we are talking about is **not finished yet**

- I've drunk four cups of coffee today.
- Have you had a holiday this year (yet)?
- I haven't seen Tom this morning. Have you?
- Rob hasn't studied very hard this term.



Present Perfect for...

Giving **news** about an event, specially when **we don't know exact time**

I've cut my finger

The police has arrested two men in connection with bank robbery

Present Perfect for...

For **experiences** and **accomplishments** : their **effect continues to**
PRESENT=> “Present Perfect”

example: Hassan Yazdani **has won** a gold medal.

=> (He was in a competition, he won (**in the past**) and
NOW he has a gold medal)

We **have been** in Paris.

Present Perfect

Subj + have/has + P.P

She has travelled to 120 countries since she was 18.

Subj + have/has + **not** + P.P

I haven't seen her around my office since yesterday

Present Perfect ...

1 I've lived in Tehran all my life.
→ "all my life" : the period that continuous until now (**UNFINISHED**)

2 I've been at this school for nine years.
→ "for ...": states how long the situation has existed
(use: since , for & how long)

3 I've lost my keys; I can't open the door.
→ there's a strong connection with now
(use: already, just & yet)**

4 Sara has watched sunset near Ocean.
→ talk about experiences in lifetime.
(use: never & ever)

Let's Practice:

have/has + past participle

1. I Have studied (study) English for 10 years.
 2. We Have not worked (not work) here for very long.
 3. Those kids Have played (play) piano since they were babies.
 4. I Have met (meet) many new students here.
 5. We Haven't seen (not see) you for a long time.
 6. The tribe Has lived (live) here for centuries.
 7. I Have known (know) about that for quite a while.
 8. He Has seen (see) all of Jackie Chan's movies.
 9. She Has had (have) bad headaches all her life.
 10. I Have been (be) here before.
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Past Simple for ...

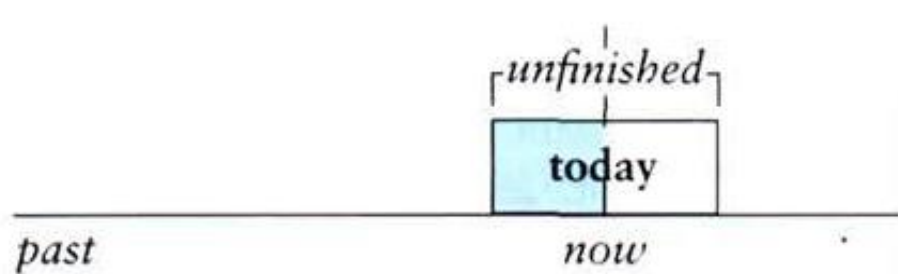
- 1 I slept in my bedroom last night.
→ Specific occasion in the past(**FINISHED**)



- 2 I've been in Italy. **I was a student there.**
→ Specific information about experiences

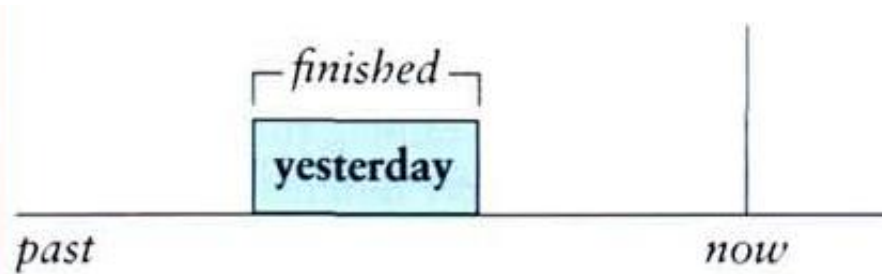
Present Perfect Vs. Past Simple

Present Perfect



Unfinished time
recent activity, with an effect or result **NOW**

Past Simple



Finished time
action completed in past

Present Perfect

Talk about an **event** in a **duration** of time continuing **up to now**

+**For, Since, How long**: duration of time

+**Just, Already, Yet**: event with STRONG connection with now

+**Never, Ever**: Experiences over time

Past Simple

Talk about **specific occasion in past**



Adverbs of time...

read the text again!

Present Perfect	Past Simple
almost fifty years	A year later
already	
since 1968	A few years ago
ever	

Unfinished time phrase

Finished time phrase

Note !

- **ALREADY:** for affirmative sentence →
have/has + already + P.P OR at the end of sentence
I have already arrived **I have arrived already**
 - **YET:** negative sentences / questions →
usually at the end of sentence
she hasn't left the school yet / has Adam left yet?
 - **JUST:** =a very short time ago ; for affirmative and question
have/has + just + P.P
I've just finished my homework / have you just come?
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Note !

- **BEEN SOMEWHERE** (am/is/are → was/were → been)
= you were somewhere but **NOW** you are back, you have returned
Kevin has been to Vienna. (he was in Vienna, now he has returned)
 - **GONE SOMEWHERE** (go → went → gone)
= you were somewhere, and you are **STILL** there, you haven't returned
Kevin has gone to Vienna. (he went to Vienna, now he is still there)
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