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| **Verb Tense Review: Present Perfect** |
| You have probably learned PRESENT PERFECT before. Here is a quick review of the FORM  and USE of this verb tense.  **FORM: have/has + past participle**  **USE:** When an event took place in the past and has importance in the present.  **EXAMPLE:** *You have seen that movie before.*  **FORM: have/has + never + past participle**  **USE:** When something has not happened at any time in the past.  **EXAMPLE:** *They have never eaten Indian food.*  **FORM: have/has + past participle + for + length of time**  **have/has + past participle + since + starting point**  **USE:** To talk about duration of an event that started in the past and continues into the future.  **EXAMPLE:** *She has lived here for two years. She has lived here since 2003.*  **FORM: have/has + just + past participle**  **USE:** To talk about an event that ended in the very recent past.  **EXAMPLE:** *He has just finished cooking dinner.*  **FORM: have/has + not + past participle + yet**  **USE:** To talk about something that has not happened in the past, but that the speaker expects  to happen soon.  **EXAMPLE:** *I have not been to Europe yet.* |

*Complete the sentences with the PRESENT PERFECT and add FOR or SINCE to each sentence.*

1. Ella \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (be) in Greece \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ two months.

2. My father \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(work) at the same company \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 1975.

3. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(have) a headache \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ last night.

4. My father \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (wear) glasses \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ years.

5. There \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(be) several big snow storms \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ January.

6. She \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_( not play) tennis \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ she was in university.

*Complete the sentences with either the SIMPLE PAST or PRESENT PERFECT*.

Paula \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (live) in Paris when she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (be) a student. She \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (study) French there. After she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (graduate) from university, Paula \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(get) a job in Montreal. She \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (live) there since 2002. When she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(move) to Montreal she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (be) a little lonely, but she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (meet) many friends and is very happy now. Paula \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(not visit) Paris since she graduated, but she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(save) some money and wants to visit next summer.

*Write sentences about yourself using the following words or phrases. Decide whether to use the SIMPLE PAST or PRESENT PERFECT. Check your answers with a partner.*

1. since…

2. on December 31, 2004…

3. never…

4. yesterday…

5. yet…

6. just…

*Choose either the PRESENT PERFECT or SIMPLE PRESENT for each sentence.*

1. My daughter \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (take) piano lessons.

2. They \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (watch) television every night.

3. I think we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(watch) that movie before.

4. Her parents \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (live) in a beautiful house by the lake.

5. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (live) in many different cities.

6. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (pay – you) your rent yet?

7. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(go) to the grocery store on Saturdays.

8. Tammy \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(know) her best friend for ten years.

*Answer the following questions. Discuss with a partner.*

1. In which sentence is Philip dead now?

a) Philip has lived in Boston all his life.

b) Philip lived in Boston all his life.

2. In which sentence are the police asking about last Saturday night?

a) Have you seen this man?

b) Did you see this man?

3. Which sentence is important NOW?

a) He has recovered from surgery.

b) He recovered from surgery.

4. In which sentence is the sun shining NOW?

a) It rained for weeks.

b) It has rained for weeks.

5. Which sentence is better gossip?

a) Billy has asked Frieda to marry him.

b) Billy asked Frieda to marry him.

6. In which sentence is she hungry NOW?

a) I haven’t eaten anything.

b) I didn’t eat anything.

7. In which sentence is he still waiting for her call?

a) Jessica didn’t call.

b) Jessica hasn’t called.