

THE PRESENT PERFECT: KEY (PP.14-18)

C. You are asking someone about things he has done in his life. Use the words in brackets to make your questions.

Example: (you ever/be/to Italy?) *Have you ever been to Italy?*

1. **Have you ever been to South Africa?**
2. **Have you read any English books?**
3. **Have you lived in this town all your life?**
4. **How many times have you been in love?**
5. **What's the most beautiful country you have ever visited?**
6. **Have you ever spoken to a famous person?**

D. Complete the answers to these questions. Use the verb in brackets.

Example: Is it a beautiful painting? (see) *Yes, it's the most beautiful painting I've ever seen.*

1. Is it a good film? (see) **Yes, it's the best film I've ever seen.**
2. Is it a long book? (read) **Yes, it's the longest book I've ever read.**
3. Is she an interesting person? (meet) **Yes, she's the most interesting person I've ever met.**

E. Write questions and answers as shown in the example.

Example: Jack is driving a car but he's very nervous and not sure what to do.

You ask: *Is this the first time you've driven a car?*

Jack: *Yes, I've never driven a car before.*

1. Len is playing tennis. He's not very good and doesn't know the rules.
You ask: **Is this the first time you've played tennis?**
Len: **Yes, I've never played tennis before.**
2. Sue is riding a horse. She doesn't look very confident or comfortable.
You ask: **Is this the first time you've ridden a horse?**
Sue: **Yes, I've never ridden a horse before.**
3. Maria is in England. She's just arrived and it's very new for her.
You ask: **Is this the first time you've been to England?**
Maria: **Yes, I've never been to England before.**

F. Answer these questions using the words in brackets.

Example: When did you last smoke? (for 2 years) *I haven't smoked for 2 years.*

1. When did it last rain? (for ages) **It hasn't rained for ages.**

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| 2. When did they last visit you? (since June) | They haven't visited me since June. |
| 3. When did you last play tennis? (for a long time) | I haven't played tennis for a long time. |
| 4. When did you last eat caviar? (never) | I've never eaten caviar. |
| 5. When did you last drive? (for 6 months) | I haven't driven for six months. |
| 6. When did you last go to Spain? (never) | I've never been to Spain. |
| 7. When did she last write to you? (since last summer) | She hasn't written to me since last summer. |

G. You are writing a letter to a friend and giving news about people you both know. Use the words given to make sentences and put the verb into the correct form.

Example: Phil/find a new job *Phil has found a new job.*

Dear Chris,

Lots of things have happened since I last wrote to you.

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| 1. Charles/go/Brazil | Charles has gone to Brazil. |
| 2. Jack and Jill/decide/to get married | Jack and Jill have decided to get married. |
| 3. Suzanne/have/a baby | Suzanne has had a baby. |
| 4. Monica/give up/smoking | Monica has given up smoking. |
| 5. George/pass/his driving-test | George has passed his driving-test. |

H. In this exercise you have to read the situation and then write a suitable sentence. Use the verb given.

Example: Tom is looking for his key. He can't find it. (lose) *He has lost his key.*

- Ann's hair was dirty. Now it is clean. (wash)
She has washed her hair.
- Tom was 80 kilograms. Now he weighs 70. (lose weight)
He has lost weight.
- The car has just stopped because there isn't any more petrol in the tank. (run out of petrol)
It has run out of petrol.
- Yesterday Bill was playing football. Now he can't walk and his leg is in plaster.
He has broken his leg.

I. This time you have to use just. Answer the questions using the words given.

Example: Would you like something to eat? (no thank you/I/just/have/dinner)
No thank you. I've just had dinner.

- Have you seen John anywhere? (yes/I/just/see/him)
Yes, I've just seen him.
- Has Ann phoned yet? (yes/she/just/phone)
Yes, she has just phoned.
- Would you like a cigarette? (no thanks/I/just/put/one out)
No thanks, I've just put one out.

J. In this exercise you have to write sentences with *already*.

Example: Don't forget to post that letter. *I've already posted it.*

1. Don't forget to phone Tom. *I've already phoned him.*
2. Why don't you read the paper? *I've already read it.*
3. Shall I pay the waiter? *No, I've already paid (him).*

K. This time you have to put in *been* or *gone*.

Example: 'Where's Ann?' 'She's on holiday. She has *gone* to Italy.'

1. Hello! I've just **been** to the shops. Look! I've bought lots of things.
2. Jim isn't here at the moment. He's **gone** to the shops.
3. 'Are you going to the bank?' 'No, I've already **been** to the bank.'
4. He won't be long. He's just **gone** to the bar.
5. He's never **been** to a nightclub.
6. I haven't **been** to a rock concert for ages.
7. I'm afraid she's **gone** out for lunch. Can I take a message?
8. I've **been** to the doctor but she told me not to worry.
9. They've **been** to 12 different clubs since they arrived on the island.
10. Where's Wally? Has he **gone** out somewhere?

L. In this exercise you have to make questions with the words given.

Example: (you/hear/from George recently?) *Have you heard from George recently?*

1. (you/read/a newspaper recently?) *Have you read a newspaper recently?*
2. (you/see/Tom in the past few days?) *Have you seen Tom in the past few days?*
3. (you/play/tennis recently?) *Have you played tennis recently?*
4. (you/eat/anything today?) *Have you eaten anything today?*
5. (you/see/any good films recently?) *Have you seen any good films recently?*
6. (you/have/a holiday this year yet?) *Have you had a holiday this year yet?*

M. This time answer the questions in the way shown. Use *yet*.

Example: Have you seen the new film at the local cinema?

*I haven't seen it yet **but** I'm going to see it.*

1. Have you eaten at the new Italian restaurant?
I haven't eaten there yet but I'm going to eat there.
2. Have you bought a car?
I haven't bought one yet but I'm going to buy one.
3. Has Gerry asked Diana to marry him?
He hasn't asked her yet but he's going to ask her.

N. This time you have to complete the sentence. Use *so far*.

Example: I saw Tom yesterday but *I haven't seen him so far* today.

It rained a lot last week but it hasn't rained much so far this week.

1. We ate a lot yesterday but **we haven't eaten** much so far today.
2. It snowed a lot last winter but **it hasn't snowed (much)** so far this winter.
3. I played tennis a lot last year but **I haven't played (tennis) (much) so far** this year.
4. She worked hard last term but **she hasn't worked hard so far** this term.
5. I watched television yesterday evening but **I haven't watched television so far** this evening.
6. My favourite football team won a lot of matches last season but **they haven't won** many matches so far this season.

O. In this exercise you have to write questions with *how long* and *when*.

Example: It is raining (how long/it/rain?) How long has it been raining?
(When/it/start/raining?) When did it start raining?

- Ann is learning Italian.
(How long/she/learn/Italian?) **How long has she been learning Italian?**
(When/she/begin/learning Italian?) **When did she begin learning Italian?**
- I know Tom.
(How long/you/know/Tom?) **How long have you known Tom?**
(When/you/first/meet/Tom?) **When did you first meet Tom?**
- Bob and Alice are married.
(How long/they/be/married?) **How long have they been married?**
(When/they/get/married?) **When did they get married?**

P. In this exercise you have to put *since* or *for*.

Example: Tom and I have known each other *for* six months.

- It's been raining **since** I got up this morning.
- Tom's father has been a policeman **for** 20 years.
- Have you been learning English **for** a long time?
- Since** Christmas, the weather has been quite mild.
- Ann has been on holiday **for** 3 days.
- That's a very old car. I've had it **for** ages.
- I haven't been to a beach **since** last summer.
- I haven't watched a football match **for** over a week.
- I've had this book **for** a couple of months.
- I haven't had a cup of coffee **since** early this morning.
- I've known my best friend **since** we were very young.
- I've lived in this town **for** three years.
- I haven't seen my neighbour **since** the beginning of last week.
- I've studied English **for** about a year and a half.
- I've had a headache **since** I woke up.

Q. This time you have to make a new sentence beginning in the way shown.

Example: I know Tom. I first met him 6 months ago. *I have known him for 6 months.*
It's been raining since 2 o'clock. *It started raining at 2 o'clock.*

- Tom's ill. He became ill 3 days ago. **He has been ill for 3 days.**
- We have been married for 5 years. **We got married 5 years ago.**
- Jim has a beard. He grew it 10 years ago. **He has had a beard for 10 years.**
- He has been in France for 3 weeks. **He went to France 3 weeks ago.**
- He has had his new car since February. **He bought his new car in February.**

R. In this exercise you have to put the verb into the correct form, *Present Perfect* (I have done) or *Past Simple* (I did).

Example: *I have lost* (lose) my key. I can't find it anywhere.
Did you see (you/see) the film on television last night?

1. Jill **bought** (buy) a new car 2 weeks ago.
 2. His hair is very short. He **has had** (have) a haircut.
 3. Last night I **arrived** (arrive) home at 12.30. I **had** (have) a bath and then I **went** (go) to bed.
 4. **Did you visit** (you/visit) many museums when you were in Paris?
 5. My bicycle isn't here any more. Somebody **has taken** (take) it.
 6. When **did you give** (you/give) up smoking?
 7. I **didn't eat** (not/eat) anything yesterday because I **didn't feel** (not/feel) hungry.
 8. Why **didn't Jim want** (Jim/not/want) to play tennis last Friday?
 9. The car looks very clean. **Have you washed** (you/wash) it?
10. Brian: Hello, Susan. Is Alan here?
 Susan: No, I'm afraid he **has gone** (go) out.
 Brian: Oh, what a pity! When exactly **did he go** (he/go) out?
 Susan: About 10 minutes ago.

S. This time you have to make sentences using the words given.

Examples: (I/smoke/20 cigarettes yesterday) I smoked 20 cigarettes yesterday.
 (How many cigarettes/you/smoke/today?) How many cigarettes have you smoked today?

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| 1. (I/be/ill twice so far this year) | I have been ill twice so far this year. |
| 2. (How many times/be/you/ill last year?)
year? | How many times were you ill last year? |
| 3. (I/not/drink/any coffee so far today)
today. | I haven't drunk any coffee so far today. |
| 4. (he/be/late three times this week)
week. | He has been late three times this week. |
| 5. (How many games/the team/win/last season?)
last season? | How many games did the team win last season? |
| 6. (How many games/the team/win/so far this season?)
this season? | How many games has the team won so far this season? |

T. Put the verb into the correct form, Present Perfect (I have done) or Past Simple (I did).

Example: I **didn't play** (not/play) golf when I was on holiday last summer.

1. Mr Clark **worked** (work) in a bank for 15 years. Then he gave it up.
2. Molly lives in Dublin. She **has lived** (live) there all her life.
3. Bob and Alice are married. They **have been** (be) married for 20 years.
4. When we were on holiday, the weather **was** (be) awful.
5. The weather **has been** (be) very nice recently, don't you think?
6. My grandfather died 30 years ago. I **never met** (never/meet) him.
7. I don't know Carol's husband. I **have never met** (never/meet) him.