

# PRESENT PERFECT & PAST SIMPLE

**We can use present perfect or past simple to talk about past actions.**

**Present  
Perfect**

**Past  
Simple**

# PRESENT PERFECT

**We use present perfect to talk about past actions and experiences.**

**We use present perfect when the time of the action is not mentioned or not important..**

**Time not  
mentioned**

**I have seen that movie.  
She has had an accident.  
They have arrived.**



# PAST SIMPLE

**We use past simple when we mentioned the specific time that the action completed.**

**Time of the  
action is  
important.**

**I saw that movie last  
week.**

**She had an accident last  
year.**

**They arrived a few hours  
ago.**



# ASKING DURATION

**We ask about duration of an action by using how long.**

**How long?**

**How long have you lived there?**

**How long has she waited?**

**How long have you worked there?**

# FOR / SINCE

**We use for and since to talk about the duration of an action.**

**For**  
**+**  
**period of**  
**time**

**I have lived there for two years.**

**I have waited her since 11.00 a.m.**

**I haven't seen him since I was a child.**

**Since**  
**+**  
**Starting**  
**time**

## Exercises

1. I \_\_\_\_\_ him.(see)
2. The students \_\_\_\_\_ (leave) the school two hours ago.
3. What \_\_\_\_\_you \_\_\_\_\_ (cook) for dinner?
4. I \_\_\_\_\_ (wait) her a lot yesterday.
5. I \_\_\_\_\_ (talk) to him since the morning.
6. \_\_\_\_\_you\_\_\_\_\_ (be) abroad before?
7. When \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ (go)to Rome?
8. I \_\_\_\_\_ (read) this book.
9. I \_\_\_\_\_ (read) this book a few weeks ago.
10. \_\_\_\_\_you \_\_\_\_\_ (decide) yet?

## Exercises

1. I haven't seen him.(not see)
2. The students left (leave) the school two hours ago.
3. What have you cooked (cook) for dinner?
4. I waited (wait) her a lot yesterday.
5. I haven't talked (not talk) to him since the morning.
6. Have you been (be) abroad before?
7. When did you go (go) to Rome?
8. I have read (read) this book.
9. I read (read) this book a few weeks ago.
10. Have you decided (decide) yet?

# PRACTICE

**Answer the questions and make similar questions.**

**Have you ever eaten sushi?**

**Have you ever been abroad?**



**When did you eat sushi?**

**Where did you go?**

