

PRESENT PERFECT (Pr P)

El **PRESENT PERFECT** equivale al **PRETÉRITO PERFECTO COMPUESTO** en español. Se utiliza para expresar acciones del pasado reciente o acciones que tienen lugar en un tiempo del pasado indefinido. Se construye con: verbo HABER + PARTICIPIO PASADO (Irregular verbs: V3 - Regular verbs: ED).

SPANISH:	ENGLISH:
Yo he comprado un móvil.	I have bought a mobile phone. (V3)
Él ha estudiado inglés.	He has studied English. (-ED)

1. EXAMPLES

AFFIRMATIVE	I 've seen Paul. She has finished her homework.
NEGATIVE	I haven't seen Paul. She hasn't finished her homework.
INTERROGATIVE	(Where) have you seen Paul? Has she finished her homework ?
SHORT ANSWER	Yes, she has No, She hasn't

2. STRUCTURE

AFFIRMATIVE	subject + have/ has + past participle + compl.
NEGATIVE	subject + haven't / hasn't + past participle + compl.
INTERROGATIVE	(WH-word)+ have/ has + subject + past participle + compl.?
SHORT ANSWER	Yes, subject (pr.) + have/ has No, subject (pr.) + haven't / hasn't

3. USES + PARTICLES

1. PAST ACTIONS CONTINUING NOW

(Expresa acciones que empezaron en el pasado y aún continúan)

- **How long have** you **lived** here?
- **I've lived** in Seville **for ten years / since 2011.**
- **He has studied** **for an hour.**
- **She hasn't done** anything **since this morning.**
- **The baby has been** in hospital **for three days / since Monday.**
- **I haven't seen** you **for ages / since we finished primary school.**

How long? = **¿cuánto tiempo?** (para preguntar por la duración de una acción)

for = **durante/ desde hace/ 0 + a period of time**

for several days- for a few weeks - for ten months - for about ten years - for ages

since = **desde / desde que + a specific point in time**

since three o'clock- since Monday- since yesterday- since last week- since 1990- since I was born- since I started to study here- since she got married

2. INDEFINITE PAST ACTIONS/ PERSONAL EXPERIENCES

(Expresa acciones ocurridas en el pasado sin especificar cuándo (tiempo indefinido). También sirve para expresar experiencias personales.)

- **I've been** to England **three times.**
- **Have** you **ever travelled** by boat? *Yes, I have. / No, I haven't.*
- *This is the best book I've **ever read.***
- *This is the worst film I've **ever seen.***
- **Have** you **ever ridden** a horse? **I've never ridden** a horse.
- *He's **never been** there.*
- *It's the first time I've **driven** a car/ **eaten** snails!*

ever = **alguna vez** (interrogative) // **jamás** (affirmative)

never= **nunca** (aff.)

3. RECENT PAST

(Expresa acciones pasadas recientes, que afectan al presente o con efectos visibles en el presente)

- **I've spent** all my money. *I can't buy anything else.*
- *She's **cut** her finger. It's bleeding.*
- *We **have been** very busy **lately.***
- **Have** you **seen** any good film **recently?**

recently= **recientemente**

lately = **últimamente**

today - this morning - this week - this year ... Expresiones de tiempo que indican un periodo de tiempo aún no terminado.

4. OTHER PARTICLES

* **JUST** = **acabar de** (affirmative sentence) → position: before past participle

- *I've just finished the exam.*

- *the film **has just begun**.*

* **ALREADY** = **ya** (affirmative sentence) → position: before past participle

- *She's already finished the project.*

- *I've already seen that film.*

* **YET**

1. **todavía, aún** (negative sentence) → position: at the end.

- *She **hasn't finished** the project yet.*

- *I **haven't seen** that film yet.*

2. **ya** (interrogative sentence) → position: at the end.

- ***Has she finished** the project yet?*

- ***Have you seen** that film yet?*

* **ALWAYS** = siempre *You've always been in love with her.*

* **SO FAR** = hasta ahora *She **has written** nine books so far.*

PRESENT PERFECT: ACTIVITIES

1. Fill in with FOR, SINCE, JUST, ALREADY, YET

- 1.- My son went to the supermarket but he hasn't come back
- 2.- Leonard has made his bed but he hasn't called his girlfriend
- 3.- Mary has lived in Morocco she was ten years old.
- 4.- We have met the new teacher at the high school.
- 5.- The waiter has brought me some coffee and biscuits.
- 6.- Have they visited London? No, they haven't gone there.
- 7.- That man has come late again. His boss is very angry with him.
- 8.- Has the girl lived in France five years? Yes, she arrived five years ago.
- 9.- The plane has flown twelve hours.
- 10.- The businessman has worked in the same office he was 25 years old.
- 11.- There has been many accidents on this road last year.
- 12.- John has performed the same play a long time.
- 13.- The woman hasn't sold her car, but she wants to sell it.
- 14.- I have known my boyfriend we were at primary school.

2. WRITE QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS IN PRESENT PERFECT USING THESE WORDS

- 1.- How long/you/be/ in Africa?
- 2.- You /be/ there/ for three years?
- 3.- How long/ he/ live/ in Berlin?
- 4.- He /live/there/ 2002?
- 5.- How long /she/ wear/ that coat?
- 6.- She / travel/ round the world /for four years ?
- 7.- Where/ you/be/ today?
- 8.- You /be/ at the hospital?
- 9.- How long/ the detective/ look/ for the man?
- 10.- Why /she/take/my money?

PAST SIMPLE vs PRESENT PERFECT

1. Complete the sentences with the verb in the Past Simple or Present Perfect:

- 1in an aeroplane before? (you ever fly)
- 2what I told you to do? (you already forget)
- 3 My parentsme some money when I left home, (give)
- 4 There's nobody here - everybody..... out. (go)
- 5.....when you left the dentist? (your mouth hurt)
- 6 I asked them to be quiet but they..... talking, (keep)
- 7 I.....him since we were at school together, (know)
- 8 I.....a lot since I started coming to this school, (learn)
- 9 I.....him £500. (already lend)
- 10 The police.....me talk to Jane after she was arrested, (let)
- 11 We.....the beds and cleaned the rooms, (already make)
- 12.....the taxi-driver yet? [you pay]
- 13 I carried the suitcases into the hall and..... them by the front door, (put)
- 14 She.....most of his books already, (read)
- 15 I left the house and.....quickly down the street, (run)

2. Complete the sentences with the verb in the Past Simple or Present Perfect:

- 1 I.....the doctor about it, but she couldn't help. (already see)
- 2 I'm sorry, the car's not here - I.....it. (just sell)
- 3 She.....you a letter three weeks ago. (send)
- 4 I.....the door quietly when I left, (shut)
- 5 She.....very well, but I didn't like the band. (sing)
- 6 I was so tired I.....for twelve hours, (sleep)
- 7.....to John's teacher about his homework yet? (you speak)
- 8 I'm afraid I.....all the money, (already spent)
- 9 I.....in the rain and waited for the bus. (stand)
- 10.....my photograph yet? (you not take)
- 11 Someone.....me about your new job. (just tell)
- 12 She.....the ball to me and I caught it. (throw)
- 13 I.....what he was trying to say, but Pat didn't. (understand)
- 14 She.....expensive clothes and drove a Mercedes. (wear)
- 15 I.....sixty letters asking for jobs, (already write)