

Simple Past or Present Perfect - Test

A - Put in the verbs in brackets into the gaps.

- 1) We _____ in a restaurant in May 2001. (*to work*)
- 2) Jack _____ the window of the gym this morning. (*to break*)
- 3) I'm sorry. I _____ my diary. (*to forget*)
- 4) Last Monday she _____ her computer. (*to check*)
- 5) They _____ the bike. It looks new again. (*to clean*)
- 6) Two years ago Mary _____ Bath. (*to visit*)
- 7) I _____ to Siberia yet. (*not/to be*)
- 8) Yesterday we _____ volleyball. (*to play*)
- 9) _____ you ever _____ magic tricks? (*to do*)
- 10) The children _____ their room. It's still dirty. (*not/to clean*)

B - Signal words in sentences – Which sentence/question is correct?

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| 1)
a) Alexander Fleming discovered penicillin in 1928.
b) Alexander Fleming just discovered penicillin. | 6.
a) Have you ever seen a rattlesnake?
b) Have you seen a rattlesnake yesterday? |
| 2)
a) Did he ride his bike two hours ago?
b) Did he ride his bike yet? | 7)
a) They have never written a text message.
b) They have not written a text message in the last lesson. |
| 3)
a) We have cleaned the car last Thursday.
b) We have just cleaned the car. | 8)
a) They just went to town.
b) They went to town yesterday. |
| 4)
a) My grandmother has already got up.
b) My grandmother got up an hour ago. | 9)
a) We already bought this car.
b) We bought this car in 2003. |
| 5)
a) I have not visited my uncle two weeks ago.
b) I have not visited my uncle yet. | 10)
a) Anke ever moved to England.
b) Anke moved to England in August 2006. |

C - Which tense is used with the following actions?

1) Action beginning in the past and still continuing

- a) Present Perfect
- b) Simple Past

2) Result of an action in the past is important in the present

- a) Present Perfect
- b) Simple Past

3) Action finished in the past

- a) Present Perfect
- b) Simple Past

D - Put in the correct verb forms.

1) My father _____ his video camera yesterday.

- a) forgets
- b) forgot
- c) forgotten

2) Steven _____ across the Atlantic.

- a) has never flew
- b) has never flown
- c) has never fly

3) _____ a snake?

- a) Have you ever touch
- b) Have you ever touched

4) We _____ the film at home.

- a) have already saw
- b) have already see
- c) have already seen

5) She _____ the contest three years ago.

- a) didn't win
- b) didn't won

6) They _____ their books out yet.

- a) haven't take
- b) haven't taken
- c) haven't took

7) The thieves _____ the painting in 1999.

- a) steal
- b) stole
- c) stolen

8) Last week my uncle _____ a new car.

- a) driven
- b) drives
- c) drove

9) I _____ the blue pen.

- a) have just choose
- b) have just chose
- c) have just chosen

10) When _____ this morning?

- a) did you wake up
- b) did you woke up
- c) did you woken up

E - Which answers are correct?

1) Which words are used with the Present Perfect?

- a) already
- b) ever
- c) just
- d) last week
- e) tomorrow
- f) yesterday
- g) yet

2) Which words are used with the Simple Past?

- a) ever
- b) in 2004
- c) just
- d) last week
- e) now
- f) two days ago
- g) yesterday

3) Which verb forms are used with the Present Perfect?

- a) 2nd column of the table of the irregular verbs
- b) 3rd column of the table of the irregular verbs
- c) had + past participle
- d) has + infinitive + -ed
- e) have + infinitive + -ed
- f) have/has + past participle

4) Which verb forms are used with the Simple Past?

- a) 2nd column of the table of the irregular verbs
- b) infinitive + -ed
- c) had + past participle
- d) have/has + past participle

5) Which sentences/questions are in the Present Perfect?

- a) Did you finish your letter this morning?
- b) Have you finished your letter?
- c) She is reading the book.
- d) She's read the book.

6) Which sentences/questions are in the Simple Past?

- a) He has read a book.
- b) He read a book.
- c) He reads a book.
- d) I listened to music.
- e) I'm listening to music.

F - Negate the sentences.

- 1) Simon ordered a pizza. _____
- 2) The pupils were in the gym. _____
- 3) She has sent an invitation card. _____
- 4) The children have cleaned their teeth. _____
- 5) A thief stole the handbag. _____
- 6) Matthew looked after the baby. _____
- 7) He has missed the school bus. _____
- 8) I woke up at 8 o'clock. _____
- 9) You have understood the text. _____
- 10) We've worked in a snack bar. _____