

Simple Past VS. Present Perfect

<p>In this lesson, we'll learn one difference between simple past and present perfect:</p>	
<p>SIMPLE PAST: use simple past for FINISHED actions</p>	<p>PRESENT PERFECT: use present perfect for CONTINUING actions</p>
<p>Sam <u>played</u> tennis yesterday.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Is the action finished?</p> <p>Jeff <u>lived</u> in Hawaii two years ago.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Does Jeff live in Hawaii now?</p> <p>Peter and Paul <u>cleaned</u> their room last Saturday.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">IS the action finished?</p>	<p>Sam <u>has played</u> tennis since he was 15 years old.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Does Sam still play tennis?</p> <p>Jeff <u>has lived</u> in California for two years.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Does Jeff live in California?</p> <p>They <u>have always cleaned</u> their room on Saturdays.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Do they still clean their room on Saturdays?</p>
<p>HINT: Look for "past tense" key words: last week, three days ago, yesterday, etc.</p>	<p>HINT: Look for "present perfect" key words: since, for, already, yet, etc.</p>

READ the sentence, **CHOOSE** the answer, and get your score instantly!

- 1) I _____ English two years ago.
studied have studied

- 2) Frank _____ English for a long time.
studied has studied

- 3) My father _____ in Korea during the war.
lived has lived

- 4) Lee _____ in Korea all his life. He's happy living in Seoul.
lived has lived

5) ____ you ____ your homework yet? It's getting late.

Did...did Have...finished

6) ____ you ever ____ in a limosine? When my sister got married, we rode in one.

Did...work Have...ridden

7) Sylvia and Mary ____ each other since they were children.

knew have known

8) Sylvia ____ Mary at school. They were in the same class.

met has met

9) Mary ____ friends with Sylvia immediately.

made has made

10) Sylvia and Mary are old ladies now, but they ____ friends for all these years.

remained have remained
