

Have you ... ?



Have you been
to Mexico City?

Have you ever
been to Japan?

Yes, I have.
Many times.

No, I've never
been to Japan.



have been / have played / have driven, etc., is the *present perfect* (**have** + *past participle*):

I	have ('ve)	played
we	have not (haven't)	lived
you		visited
they		read
he	has ('s)	lost
she	has not (hasn't)	been
it		driven

↑
past participle

have	I	played?
	we	lived?
	you	visited?
	they	read?
has	he	lost?
	she	been?
	it	driven?

} *regular verbs*

} *irregular verbs*

Regular verbs The *past participle* is **-ed** (the same as the *simple past*):

play → I have **played** live → I have **lived** visit → she has **visited**

Irregular verbs The *past participle* is not **-ed**.

Sometimes the *past participle* is the same as the *simple past*:

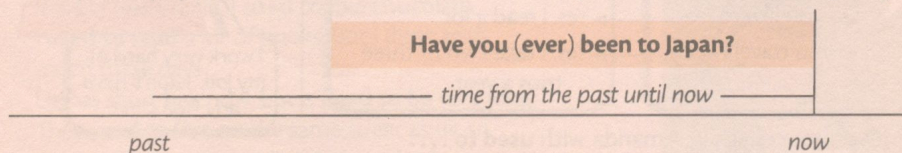
buy → I **bought** / I have **bought** have → he **had** / he has **had**

Sometimes the *simple past* and the *past participle* are different (see Appendixes 2–3):

break → I **broke** / I have **broken** see → you **saw** / you have **seen**

B

We use the *present perfect* when we talk about a time from the past until now – for example, a person's life:



- ☐ "Have you been to France?" "No, I **haven't**."
- ☐ We've **been** to Canada, but we **haven't been** to Alaska.
- ☐ Mary is an interesting person. She **has had** many different jobs and **has lived** in many different places.
- ☐ I've **seen** that woman before, but I can't remember where.
- ☐ How many times **has** Brazil **won** the World Cup?
- ☐ "Have you **read** this book?" "Yes, I've **read** it twice." (**twice** = two times)

C

We use the *present perfect* + **ever** (in questions) and **never**:

- ☐ "Has Michelle **ever been** to Australia?" "Yes, once." (**once** = one time)
- ☐ "Have you **ever played** golf?" "Yes, I play a lot."
- ☐ My sister **has never traveled** by plane.
- ☐ I've **never ridden** a horse.
- ☐ "Who is that man?" "I don't know. I've **never seen** him before."

present perfect → **Units 17–18** present perfect and simple past → **Unit 19**
irregular verbs → **Appendixes 2–3**

Exercises

16.1 You are asking Lauren questions beginning with **Have you ever ... ?** Write the questions.

- 1 (be / Montreal?)
- 2 (play / golf?)
- 3 (be / South Korea?)
- 4 (lose / your passport?)
- 5 (fly / in a helicopter?)
- 6 (win / a race?)
- 7 (be / Peru?)
- 8 (drive / a bus?)
- 9 (break / your leg?)

Have you ever been to Montreal?
Have you ever played golf?
Have

LAUREN

No, never.
Yes, many times.
Yes, once.
No, never.
Yes, a few times.
No, never.
Yes, twice.
No, never.
Yes, once.

16.2 Write sentences about Lauren. (Look at her answers in Exercise 16.1.)

- 1 (be / Peru) She's been to Peru twice.
- 2 (be / South Korea) She
- 3 (win / a race)
- 4 (fly / in a helicopter)

Now write about yourself. How often have you done these things?

- 5 (be / New York) I
- 6 (play / tennis)
- 7 (drive / a truck)
- 8 (be / late for work or school)

16.3 Mary is 65 years old. She has had an interesting life. What has she done?

MARY

have	be	all over the world	a lot of interesting things
do	write	many different jobs	a lot of interesting people
travel	meet	10 books	married three times

- 1 She has had many different jobs.
- 2 She
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6

16.4 Complete the sentences. Use the **present perfect**.

- 1 I've seen (I / see) that woman before, but I can't remember her name.
- 2 " Have you ever played (you / ever / play) golf?" "Yes, I play golf a lot."
- 3 "..... (you / ever / write) a poem?" "Yes, in high school."
- 4 "Does Emma know Sam?" "No, (she / never / meet) him."
- 5 Amanda and Josh have lots of books, and (they / read) all of them.
- 6 (I / never / be) to Australia, but (my brother / be) there twice.
- 7 Danielle's favorite movie is *Only Tomorrow*. (she / see) it five times, but (I / never / see) it.
- 8 (I / travel) by plane, bus, and train. Someday, I want to take a trip by boat.