

# 46 Events in your life

Both the present perfect and the past simple can be used to talk about things that happened in the past, but you use them differently.

 **New language** The present perfect

 **Vocabulary** Adventure sports

 **New skill** Talking about past events

## 46.1 KEY LANGUAGE THE PRESENT PERFECT AND THE PAST SIMPLE

Use the past simple to talk about something that happened at a definite time. Use the present perfect when you don't specify a particular time.

**Have you ever been to France?**



**Yes, I visited Paris in 2010.**

You give a specific date, 2010, so use the past simple.

2010

NOW



2003



2008



2010



2014



NOW



**Yes, I have visited Paris many times.**

You don't give a specific date, so use the present perfect.

## 46.2 FURTHER EXAMPLES THE PRESENT PERFECT AND THE PAST SIMPLE

### PAST SIMPLE

I **saw** a great movie last week.



Jo **didn't climb** Mount Fuji last year.



Madison **ate** too much last night.



### PRESENT PERFECT

I **haven't seen** that movie.



Saki **has climbed** Mount Fuji twice.



Jack **hasn't eaten** curry before.

### 46.3 VOCABULARY ADVENTURE SPORTS



scuba diving



rock climbing



paragliding



windsurfing



bungee jumping



surfing



### 46.4 CROSS OUT THE INCORRECT WORDS IN EACH SENTENCE

Natalia **visited** / **has visited** China last year.

- 1 I love the movie Casablanca. I **watched** / **have watched** it more than nine times.
- 2 Our dog Rex **ate** / **has eaten** all Mary's birthday cake last night.
- 3 Jack **didn't visit** / **hasn't visited** the Colosseum when we were in Rome last year. He was too sick.
- 4 **Did you go** / **Have you been** to the swimming pool downtown yesterday?



### 46.5 SAY THE SENTENCES OUT LOUD, FILLING IN THE GAPS

Have you ever been surfing?

Yes, I've been surfing many times.



1 Has Chloe ever been bungee jumping?

Yes, \_\_\_\_\_ many times.



2 Has Liam ever visited Yosemite National Park?

Yes, \_\_\_\_\_ in 2014.



3 Have you ever seen *Gone with the Wind*?

Yes, \_\_\_\_\_ last night.



4 Have you ever been paragliding?

No, \_\_\_\_\_.



5 Have any of your friends been scuba diving?

Yes, Mia \_\_\_\_\_ many times.



## 46.6 KEY LANGUAGE “BEEN / GONE”

You can use “be” and “go” in the present perfect to talk about your trips to places, but they have different meanings.

I haven’t seen Joan recently. Where is she?



She’s gone to Florida.

She is still in Florida.



Hi, Joan. You’re looking well.



Yes, I’ve been to Florida.

She went to Florida, but now she is back home.



## 46.7 FURTHER EXAMPLES “BEEN / GONE”

Where’s Ben?



He’s gone to the mall.

You look relaxed.



Yes, we’ve been in Bermuda. We had a great time.

Where’s Ariana?



She’s gone windsurfing.

What’s Julie doing?



She’s been swimming and now she’s doing her homework.



## 46.8 FILL IN THE GAPS USING “BEEN” OR “GONE”

I love Chicago. I’ve been there often.

- 1 Manuela and Giorgio have                    to the movies. They’re meeting you there.
- 2 There’s lots of food in the fridge because Ayida’s                    to the supermarket.
- 3 I’ve                    to the library. Look at all the books I have!
- 4 Mary and Joe have                    to a nightclub. They’ll be back after midnight.





## 46.9 READ THE POSTCARD AND WRITE THE VERBS UNDER THE CORRECT HEADINGS

### PRESENT PERFECT

we've seen

1 \_\_\_\_\_

2 \_\_\_\_\_

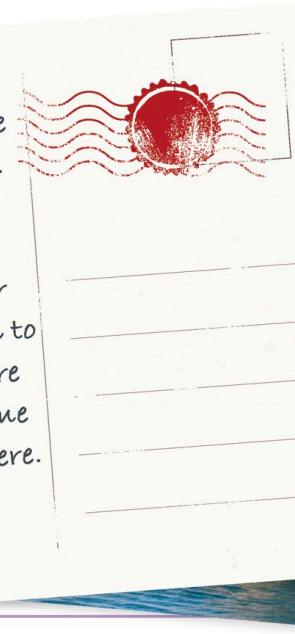
### PAST SIMPLE

we got

3 \_\_\_\_\_

4 \_\_\_\_\_

Hi Chris,  
We're in Sydney! We got here five days ago and we've seen so much. On Monday, we visited the Sydney Opera House, and on Tuesday we went on a boat under Harbour Bridge. We haven't been to Bondi Beach yet, but I think we're going tomorrow. We've eaten some great food, too! Wish you were here.  
Love,  
Olivia x



## 46.10 LISTEN TO THE AUDIO AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS

Martin has been bungee jumping three times.

True  False

1 Sammy went to China in 2011.

True  False

2 Nigel has never cooked a meal for visitors.

True  False

3 Debra has been rock climbing many times.

True  False

4 Andrew has never used a tablet before.

True  False



## 46.11 REWRITE THE SENTENCES, CORRECTING THE ERRORS

I've **gone** windsurfing many times.

I've been windsurfing many times.

1 She hasn't **be** to the circus.

2 I **meet** my best friend when I was six.

3 You **eat** all the chocolate last night.

4 He hasn't **try** paragliding.



## 46 ✓ CHECKLIST

The present perfect

Adventure sports

Talking about past events