



## GRAMMAR UNIT 5

# PRESENT PERFECT



### STRUCTURES

**Affirmative:** S + have/has + V3/ed.

*E.g. You have watched that movie.*

**Negative:** S + have/has + not + V3/ed.

*E.g. You have not/haven't watched that movie.*

**Interrogative:** Have/Has + S + V3/ed?

*E.g. Have you watched that movie?*



### WHEN TO USE?



1. Something that happened in the past, but is still true or important now. Present perfect focus on the result.

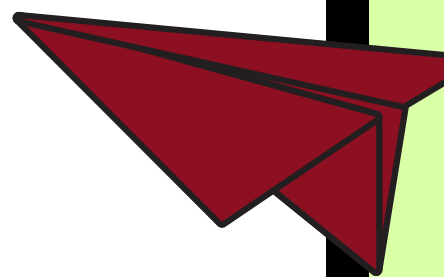
*E.g. I have lost my keys. Now I can't open the door.*

2. Something that started in the not-mentioned past.

*E.g. I have read that book already.*

3. Something that was completed in the very recent past (often used with just or recently).

*E.g. I have just booked the tickets.*



### CONTRAST WITH PRESENT PERFECT CONTINUOUS

1. Present Perfect focus on the result while Present Perfect Continuous focus on the process.

*E.g. They have written 5 essays.*

*They have been writing for 5 hours.*

2. *Present Perfect Continuous, the actions may not have finished, because it focuses on the process. But in Present Perfect, they may have ended already because it focuses on the results.*

*E.g. I have been writing a school article.*

*I have written a school article.*



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### EXERCISE 1: WRITE THE VERBS IN THE CORRECT TENSE.

1. I'd better have a shower. I (not/ have) \_\_\_\_\_ one since Thursday.
2. I don't live with my family now and we (not/ see) \_\_\_\_\_ each other for five years.
3. I \_\_\_\_\_ just (realize) \_\_\_\_\_ that there are only four weeks to the end of term.
4. The train drivers (go) \_\_\_\_\_ on strike and they stopped working at twelve o'clock.
5. How long \_\_\_\_\_ (you/ know) \_\_\_\_\_ each other?
6. \_\_\_\_\_ (You/ take) \_\_\_\_\_ many photographs?
7. (She/ eat) \_\_\_\_\_ at the Royal Hotel yet?
8. He (live) \_\_\_\_\_ here all his life.
9. Is this the second time he (lose) \_\_\_\_\_ his job?
10. We would like to eat something because we \_\_\_\_\_ (not eat) for the whole day.
11. It \_\_\_\_\_ (rain) for the whole morning, so she doesn't want to go out.
12. John Wick \_\_\_\_\_ (watch) his favorite film since I came, he is still watching it now.

### EXERCISE 2: CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER.

1. I (have been waiting/have waited) for two hours, but she (has not been coming/has not come) yet.
2. She (has been reading/has read) all the books written by Nguyen Nhat Anh. How many books (have you read/have been you reading)?
3. He (has written/has been writing) a novel for one year, but she (hasn't finished/has not been finishing) it yet.
4. Mary (has been losing/has lost) her bag and she (has been looking/has looked) for it until now.
5. Sarah is exhausted. She (has finished/has been finishing) her internship report.