

Tenses

Present Perfect Tense Simple

1. Form

have/has + 3. Spalte

I have gone, she has washed

2. Verwendung

- a) wenn meine Gedanken die Zeit vom Anfang der Handlung bis zur Gegenwart einschließen

oft mit: already, just, since April (Zeitpunkt),
for two days (Zeitspanne), yet, not yet, ever/never ...

- b) um auszudrücken, seit wann (since) oder wie lange (for) ein Zustand schon besteht.

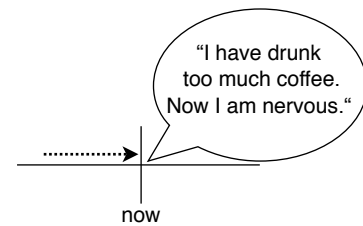
I have waited since 8 o'clock. I have waited for 3 hours.

- c) für Ergebnisse:

I've cleaned my bike. (and now it looks new.)

- d) bei Erfahrungen und Erlebnissen:

I have been to Canada. (Zeit unwichtig)



Present Perfect Tense Progressive

1. Form

have been/has been + -ing form

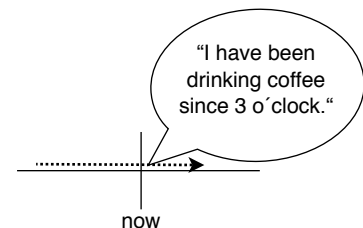
2. Verwendung

- a) um zu sagen, wie lange etwas schon geschieht/andauert.
Nicht das Ereignis, sondern die Dauer der Handlung ist wichtig.

Im Deutschen oft: Gegenwart + schon
z.B. It has been snowing since 3 o'clock.
= Es schneit schon seit 3 Uhr.

- b) um zu sagen, was ich gerade getan habe

z.B. Why are you crying? I've been reading a sad book.



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Exercises

Present Perfect Tense Simple or Past Tense

1. _____
2. _____
3. I (meet) him last week.
4. I (not meet) him for 2 years.
5. He (leave) the house in 1977.
6. Peter (study) English for three years.
7. I (not see) you for a long time.
8. I'll go now. I (wait) since 8 o'clock.
9. I (be) in New York twice.
10. They (never see) New York. They only (see) a picture in school.
11. Helen (never be) in hospital.
12. Peter (be) there once two years ago.
13. Columbus (discover) America about 500 years ago.
14. The mechanic (repair) the car. Now it really looks new.
15. He (be) ill for 7 days.
16. _____ you ever _____ (play) golf?
17. I (not see) him yet. 18. She (already be) to France.
19. He (sing) in the Opera last night.
20. _____ he _____ (sing) in the Opera last night?

Put into Present Perfect Tense Progressive

1. _____
2. They (quarrel) for hours.
3. He (study) English for years. He will study further.
4. Her son (not read) a single book since years.
5. She (live) here since 1975. That's quite a long time.
6. We (wait) for your answer.