

PRESENT PERFECT & PAST SIMPLE

B1 | Teens / Adults | Grammar Question Writing | 20-30 minutes

Complete questions, write detailed answers and form questions of your own.

EXAMPLE

Question: Where **did** you **go** on your last trip?

Answer: I **went** to Lisbon. I**'ve visited** it twice, and I'd like to go again.

Remember: Present perfect: experience up to now. Past simple: a finished past time.

A. COMPLETE AND ANSWER

Complete the questions using the grammar cues. Write full answers with a relevant detail.

1. _____ you ever _____ an unusual food? (try)

Answer: _____

2. What _____ you _____ on your last day off? (do)

Answer: _____

3. What interesting place _____ you _____? (visit; experience)

Answer: _____

4. When _____ you last _____ something new? (learn)

Answer: _____

B. WRITE THE QUESTIONS

Put the words in order. Write each question. Start with a capital letter and add ?.

1. ever / travelled / you / have / alone

2. spend / your / where / did / holiday / last / you

3. what / have / recently / you / films / seen

Try it: Ask your partner the questions in B. Ask one follow-up of your own.

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Answer key | Keep this page separate during student practice.

A. COMPLETE AND ANSWER

Target forms and model answers are shown below. Personal answers will vary.

1. Have / tried - Have you ever tried an unusual food?

Sample answer: Yes, I've tried seaweed ice cream, but I didn't enjoy it.

2. did / do - What did you do on your last day off?

Sample answer: I spent the day walking in the hills with a friend.

3. have / visited - What interesting place have you visited?

Sample answer: I've visited an old castle where you can explore the underground rooms.

4. did / learn - When did you last learn something new?

Sample answer: I learned to make dumplings last month at a cooking class.

B. WRITE THE QUESTIONS

1. Have you ever travelled alone?

2. Where did you spend your last holiday?

3. What films have you seen recently?

TEACHER NOTES

Do not combine a finished time such as last month with present perfect in these questions.

Accept correct full forms and contractions. Check that answers match the question.

Encourage one relevant detail; check word order, capitals and question marks in B.