

Grammar | Present Perfect Simple: experience



1 Choose the correct alternative.

- A: Nick, tell us about your career.
 B: (1) I've made / I was made twenty-two CDs and (2) I've performed / I've performed for the President many times.
 A: Fantastic.
 B: And (3) I's won / I've won eighteen awards.
 A: How many records (4) you have sold / have you sold?
 B: (5) I've sold / I'm sold about 50 million.
 A: (6) Has you / Have you ever wanted to do a different job?
 B: No. I was born to be a rock star.
 A: On your new CD, (7) have you change / have you changed your musical style at all?
 B: No, I (8) haven't changed / hadn't changed anything. My fans love me as I am.

2 Complete the dialogues. Use verbs from the box in the Present Perfect Simple negative.

be meet play taste read watch

A: Is this TV programme good?

B: I don't know I haven't watched it.

1 A: Do you like Rome?

B: I don't know. I haven't been there.

2 A: Is the spaghetti ready?

B: I don't know. I haven't tasted it.

3 A: Do you like the new computer game?

B: I don't know. I haven't played it.

4 A: Do you like Gabriel's new book?

B: I don't know. I haven't read it.

5 A: What do you think of Sam's new boyfriend?

B: I don't know. I haven't met him.

3 Put the questions to these answers in the correct order.

- 1 A: countries to have you how many travelled?
How many c. have u travelled to?
 B: I've travelled to five different countries.
 2 A: have eaten ever sushi you?
Have u ever eaten sushi?
 B: No, I've never eaten sushi.
 3 A: many how they worked countries have in?
How many c. have they worked in?
 B: They've worked in three different countries.
 4 A: have person you a famous ever met?
Have u ever met a famous person?
 B: I haven't met a famous person.
 5 A: finished homework his has he?
Has he finished his h/w?
 B: No, he hasn't finished his homework.
 6 A: won how awards has many music she?
How many aw. has she won?
 B: She's won four different music awards.
 7 A: seen film the have they?
Have they seen the film?
 B: No, they haven't seen the film.
 8 A: broken how records has he many world?
How many records has he broken?
 B: He's broken three world records.
 9 A: you ever have prize won a?
Have u ever won a prize?
 B: Yes, I've won lots of prizes for my music.
 10 A: played ever have you netball?
Have u ever played netball?
 B: I don't know what netball is! So no, I haven't.

4 Find the errors in six of these sentences and correct them.

- 1 I've seen that film seven times!
 2 She've been to France and Italy but she hasn't been to Greece.
 3 Have you ever travelled ^{with} by high speed train?
 4 I haven't find ^{found} the new museum.
 5 They've broken five world records in the last two years.
 6 No, she hasn't studied Korean before.
 7 I haven't moved house in the last ten years.
 8 I've eaten there last July.
 9 I haven't tasted sashimi.
 10 He's never meet ^{met} my parents.

Vocabulary | achievements

- 5 Complete the text with the correct tense of the verbs from the box.

do earn get give learn pass
start win

http://www.musiciansexchange.com

I was born in Paraguay in 1980 and I started playing the violin when I was three years old. When I was twelve, I (1) won a prize for Young Musician of the Year. I came to England to study music. I also (2) have learned to speak English. I (3) passed my music exams in 1997 and went to the US where I (4) have got a good job with an orchestra. I didn't (5) earn a lot of money with the orchestra but it was great experience. I wrote articles for the *New York Musician* magazine and (6) gave speeches at many music colleges. In 2009, I (7) started my company, MusiciansExchange.com. The company organises international travel for music students and we also (8) do a lot of work for charity.

- 6 Which of the things from the text have or haven't you done? Write one sentence for each prompt:

win a prize *I haven't won a prize.*
learn to speak English *I have learned to speak English.*

- 1 pass an exam *I haven't passed*
- 2 get a good job *I have got*
- 3 give speeches *I have given*
- 4 start a company *I started*
- 5 do work for charity *I haven't done any work*

Reading

- 7 a Read the text. Mark the sentences true (T) or false (F).



MTV's Video Music Awards are the most important prizes awarded for music videos. It all started in New York in 1984. The first band to win the Video of the Year award was the Cars for their video *You Might Think*. On the night of the awards famous singers and bands perform live. Bands which have performed at the awards include the Rolling Stones, Aerosmith, U2 and The Spice Girls. Lots of famous actors and musicians have presented the awards, including Eddie Murphy, Jack Black and Jamie Foxx. The awards show has taken place in various cities like New York, Los Angeles and London. The artist who has won the most VMAs? Madonna.

Some famous moments at the MTV awards:

In 1989 Paula Abdul won four awards. In 1992, the bass guitar player for Nirvana, Krist Novoselic threw his guitar in the air and it hit him on the head! In 1999, Britney Spears appeared on the show for the first time. In 2005, Spanish videos first competed in the awards.

- 1 The VMAs started in New York in 1986. *F 1984*
- 2 The Cars won the first Video of the Year award. *T*
- 3 U2 haven't performed at the VMAs. *F They have*
- 4 The VMAs have taken place in London. *T*
- 5 Eddie Murphy and Jack Black have presented the awards. *T*
- 6 Madonna has won the most VMAs. *T*
- 7 A spectator hit Krist Novoselic on the head with a bottle at the awards. *F He was hit by the guitar*
- 8 Spanish videos competed for the first time in the awards in 2003. *F In 2005*

- b Correct the false sentences.