Past Simple or Present Perfect. Exercises.

Упражнение 1. Complete the pairs of sentences. Use the Present Perfect in one sentence and the Past Simple in the other.

I (know)  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ her for six years. I (know) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_  him when I was at school. He (live) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_  in Paris from 1997 to 2000. He (live) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_  in New York since 2001. Where's Pete? I (not see) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_  him for ages. I (not see) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Pete last night. We (be) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_  at primary school from 1993 to 1998. We (be) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in this class since September. I (not watch) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_  this video yet. I (not watch) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a video at the weekend.

Упражнение 2. Put the verbs in brackets in the Past Simple or in the Present Perfect.

1.  I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (never/ be) to the USA. I \_\_\_\_\_\_ (want) to go there last summer but I couldn’t. 2.  He \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (live) in this street all his life. 3.  His father \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (come back) to London last Sunday. 4.  Yan \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (write) a letter to Nick two days ago. 5.  He \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (send) his letter yesterday. 6.  They  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  (just/ buy) some postcards.

Упражнение 3. Fill in last night, ever, ago, just, yet, always in the right place.

1.  Nick’s uncle went to Russia 3 years. 2.  Mr. Rambler has come back from Belarus. 3.  Nick has wanted to visit Belarus. 4.  Mr. Rambler saw Yan. 5.  They haven’t visited this old castle. 6. Have you been to England?

Упражнение 4. Choose the correct option.

She has /‘s had a moped since she was 15. We took /‘ve taken a taxi to town that morning. We played /'ve played volleyball last night I'm really hungry. I didn’t eat / haven’t eaten since last night. They visited/ ‘ve visited Colorado last summer.

Упражнение 5. Put the verbs in brackets in the Past Simple or in the Present Perfect.

1. Maria (get) \_\_\_\_\_\_ some bad news last week. She (be) \_\_\_\_\_\_ sad since she (get) \_\_\_\_\_\_  the bad news. 2. I  (start) \_\_\_\_\_\_  school when I was five years old. I (be) \_\_\_\_\_\_  at school since I (be) \_\_\_\_\_\_  five years old. 3. I  (change) \_\_\_\_\_\_ my job three times this year. 4. I  (change) \_\_\_\_\_\_  my job three times last year. 5.  The weather was hot and dry for many weeks. But two days ago it (rain) \_\_\_\_\_\_. 6.  Tom (break) \_\_\_\_\_\_  his leg five days ago. He’s in hospital. He (be) \_\_\_\_\_\_  in hospital since he (break) \_\_\_\_\_\_  his leg. 7.  Are you going to finish your work before you go to bed? — I (finish) \_\_\_\_\_\_  it (already). I (finish) \_\_\_\_\_\_  my work two hours ago.

Упражнение 6.  Put the verbs in brackets in the Past Simple or in the Present Perfect.

1. I (have, just) \_\_\_\_\_\_   a nice pot of coffee. Would you like a cup? 2. I (see, not) \_\_\_\_\_\_   Steve this morning yet. 3.  Carol and I are old friends. I (know) \_\_\_\_\_\_   her since I (be) \_\_\_\_\_\_   a freshman in high school. 4.  Maria (have) \_\_\_\_\_\_   a lot of problems since she (come) \_\_\_\_\_\_   to this country. 5. I  (go) \_\_\_\_\_\_  to Paris in 2003 and 2006. 6.  A car came round the corner and I (jump) \_\_\_\_\_\_   out of the way. 7.  Don’t throw the paper away because I (not to read) \_\_\_\_\_\_   it yet. 8.  Is Jim going to eat lunch with us today? — No. He (eat) \_\_\_\_\_\_   (already).He (eat) \_\_\_\_\_\_   lunch an hour ago. 9.  Since we (start) \_\_\_\_\_\_   doing this exercise, we (complete) \_\_\_\_\_\_  some sentences. 10. I (be) \_\_\_\_\_\_   never to Italy.