

Present Perfect and Simple Past

Aim

- I can separate the present perfect from the simple past.

Success Criteria

- I can distinguish between the past and the present.
- I can identify how the present perfect is different from the simple past.
- I can sort sentences from these two different tenses.
- I can write my own present perfect sentences.

Past and Present



Decide which columns these sentences belong in.

Past	Present

I saw a film.
I watch a film.
I listen to music.
I listened to music.
I drove a car.

I drive a car.
I eat a meal.
I ate a meal.

Past and Present



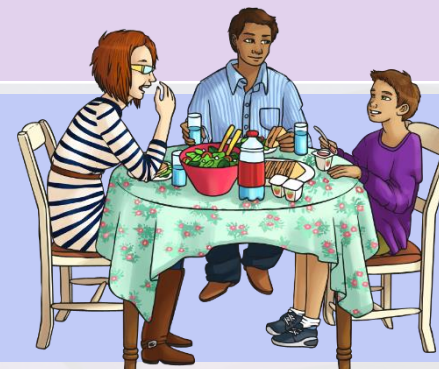
As a class, decide which columns these sentences belong in.

Past	Present
<p>I saw a film. I listened to music. I drove a car. I ate a meal. I have eaten a meal.</p>	<p>I watch a film. I listen to music. I drive a car. I eat a meal.</p>

Where would you place this sentence?

I have eaten a meal.

What do you notice about it?



It is in the past. It is called the **Present Perfect** tense. Confusing!

Past and Present



There are different types of tenses. Here are two of them.

Simple Past	Present Perfect
I saw a film. I listened to music. I drove a car. I ate a meal.	I have watched a film. I have listened to music. I have driven a car. I have eaten a meal.

Where would you place these?

I kept warm.

He has made the coffee.

I talked.

I swam.

She has walked.



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I saw a film. I listened to music. I drove a car. I ate a meal. I kept warm. I talked. I swam.	I have watched a film. I have listened to music. I have driven a car. I have eaten a meal. She has walked. He has made the coffee.

Where would you place these?

I kept warm.

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The present perfect tense uses have + past participle (usually words ending in -ed or -en).

I walked. → I **have** walked.

Look at more examples below.

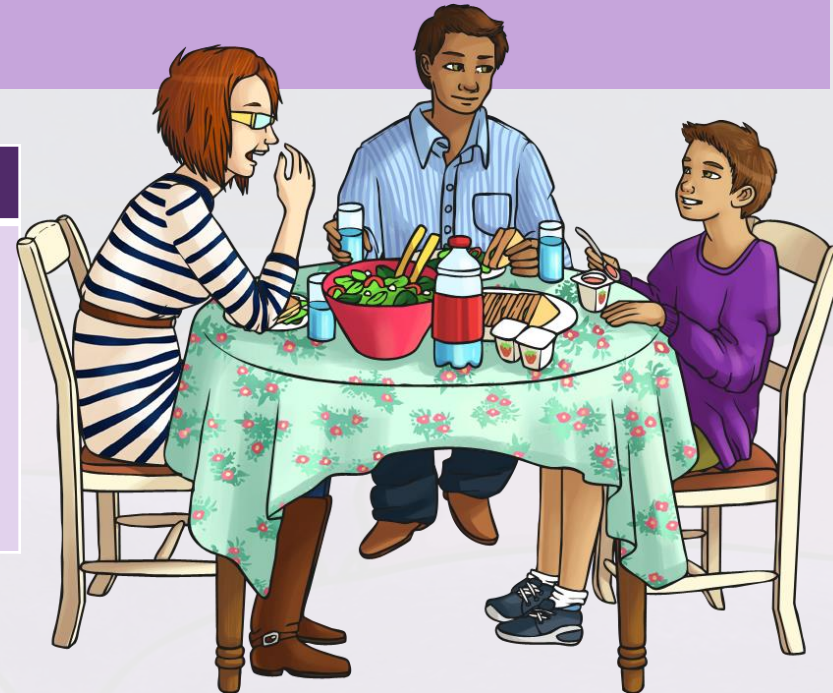
Present Perfect


They **have** watch**ed** a film.

She **has** listen**ed** to music.

I **have** driv**en** a car.

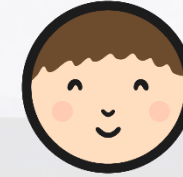
We **have** eat**en** a meal.





Independent Focused Activity Activity

Sorting Sentences



★ Sorting Sentences

1. Match the sentences below into **present perfect** and **simple past**.
The beginning of each sentence has been done for you.

Present Perfect	
I have	She
She has	I
We have	The
She has	They
You have	He
The	We

I have watched a film.	She has listened
She walked.	She has swum.
We have eaten.	They thought
You have eaten the apple.	He climbed a tree.
I read the magazine.	The door has broken.
The baby cried.	We talked.

★ ★ Sorting Sentences

1. Sort the sentences below into **present perfect** and **simple past**.
Remember, the **present perfect** uses:
have + past participle (a verb ending in **-ed**)

Present Perfect	

I have watched a film.	She has listened to some music.
She walked.	She has swum.
We have eaten.	They thought.
You have eaten the apple.	He climbed a tree.
I read the magazine.	The door has broken.
The baby cried.	We talked.

★ ★ ★ Sorting Sentences

1. Sort the sentences below into **present perfect** and **simple past**.

Present Perfect	Simple Past

I have watched a film.	She has listened to some music.
She walked.	She has swum.
We have eaten.	They thought.
You have eaten the apple.	Have you eaten the apple?
The baby cried.	The door has broken.
Has she finished?	We talked.

Challenge: explain in one or two sentences how to spot the present perfect tense and how to spot the simple past tense.

Present perfect: _____

Simple past: _____