

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.

Which Past?



Which of these sentences is in the simple past?
What is the difference between the two?

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- Simple past talks about something that started and finished in the past.
- Present perfect talks about something that started in the past but might be true now or affects something that happens today.

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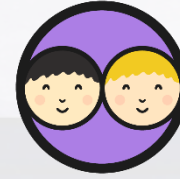
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Present perfect

Simple past



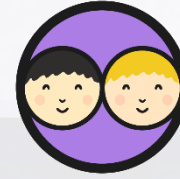
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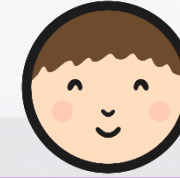
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2. Finish the sentences below using the **present perfect** tense.

- a) As a result of the rain, _____
- b) As Christmas is nearly here, _____
- c) Due to the wind blowing hard, _____

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