

FUMC ESL 1-10-2019 High Intermediate Lesson

Present Perfect Tense: We use present perfect tense if we are talking about--

--an action that has been repeated.

EX: We have gone to Mexico many times. I have been to France twice.

--an action that started in the past and is continuing

EX: I have lived in the same house for fifteen years.

-- an action that hasn't finished.

EX: It has rained a lot this month. (If I said, "It rained a lot this month", someone would think the month is over.)

--an action that has just finished.

EX: I have completed my exam.

--an action where we don't know the time involved

EX: She has lost her watch.

Present Perfect Tense with Irregular Verbs

The present perfect tense is have/has plus past participle form of the verb.

Example: I have finished my homework. That chef has worked in many restaurants.

In a regular verb, the past participle ends in ed, as in the two examples above. However, there are many irregular verbs where the past participle does NOT end in ed.

Examples: She has lost her key. I have forgotten your name. He has sent you a check.

In the examples below, decide whether the underlined participle is correct. If it is not correct, change it to the correct past participle.

- 1.Rebecca has went to the movies.
- 2.Have you see my cell phone?
- 3.I have haved lunch.
- 4.The children have learned their lesson.
- 5.The Longhorns have winned the game.
- 6.We have agreed on the terms of the contract.
- 7.My parents have celebrated many anniversaries.
- 8.She has growed so much in the past year.
- 9.The journalist has wrote an article about the earthquake.
- 10.The man has striked the boy.
- 11.We have split the pie into 8 pieces.
- 12.The old pipes have sprang leaks.
- 13.The old gentleman has carefully sweeped the floor.
- 14.My new blouse has shrinked in the wash.
- 15.The lions have fighited off the hyenas.
- 16.I have choosed to stay in school another year.
- 17.We have spread a cloth on the ground for our picnic.
- 18.The telephone has rang non-stop all day.
- 19.The water in the lake has not froze.
- 20.I have seeked help from the police in finding my daughter.

Write a sentence using the present perfect tense. The first two are done for you as examples.

1.(think) Have you thought about calling to apologize?

2.(show) We have shown each of our children how to escape in case of fire.

3.(stand) _____

4.(sew) _____

5.(choose) _____

6.(forbid) _____

7.(cut) _____

8.(speak) _____

9.(shake) _____

10.(shine) _____

Convert these past tense sentences to present perfect tense:

1. I lost my keys.
2. Did you call your mom?
3. She gave me her hand me down clothes.
4. He didn't finish.
5. She tore up the receipt.
6. The wind blew over the potted plants.
7. She chose the blue one.
8. The children drew on the wall with crayons.
9. My daughter's tragic accident shook my faith.
10. Derek showed me how to lock the windows.

Sometimes you can use past tense and present perfect tense interchangeably. Both sentences mean the same. EX: I took her to the airport. I have taken her to the airport. But some sentences don't mean the same or don't work at all in the past tense. Which of these example sentences mean the same thing.

1. I knew her for ten years. I have known her for ten years.
2. We rode horses since we were young. We have ridden horses since we were young.
3. She spoke of you often. She has spoken of you often.
4. Someone stole the answers to the test. Someone has stolen the answers to the test.
5. He always was a happy person. He has always been a happy person.