

FUMC ESL 3-21-2022 High Beginning and Low Intermediate Lesson

Introduce yourself. Tell where you are from and where you live now.

Present Perfect and Present Perfect Continuous Tense

Present Perfect = have/has + past participle. (have washed, has seen)

We use this tense to talk about things that happened at some unknown time in the past.

EX: I **have seen** this movie before. We **have visited** Mexico many times.

I **have been** to several movies lately.

You can use an adverb in the middle of this verb. EX: I **have** already **parked** my car. She **has** suddenly **decided** to go. They **have** never **called** us. Nobody **has** ever **climbed** that mountain.

Note that in a sentence with a specified time (yesterday, last month, this week), you shouldn't use present perfect. EX: NOT She **has called** me yesterday. BUT She **called** me yesterday. NOT I **have seen** that movie last Thursday. BUT I **saw** that movie last Thursday. NOT I **have met** her one year ago. BUT I **met** her one year ago.

Quiz: Which of these sentences are correct.

1. I have been to France.
2. I have been to France last year.
3. I have never been to France.
4. I went to France last year.
5. James has studied English for many years.
6. James has studied English last year.
7. James has never studied English.
8. James has studied English in high school.
9. Have you climbed a mountain?
10. Have you ever climbed a mountain?
11. Have you climbed a mountain recently?
12. Have you climbed a mountain last month?

Present Perfect Continuous + have/has + been + ING form of the verb

This tense is used to talk about something that started in the past and is continuing into the present. EX: I have been waiting for two hours. (started waiting two hours ago and is still waiting)

Examples:

We **have been attending** these classes for five years.

Mother **has been feeling** better since the doctor gave her an anti-biotic.

I **have been studying** for the test all night.

She **has been telling** lies about me.

He **has been trying** to lose weight.
Jerry **has been saving** his money to buy a car.

QUIZ: Choose present perfect, present perfect continuous or past tense for these sentences.

1. We (wait) _____ for an hour. I think the waiter (forget) _____ us. I think you are right. He (walk) _____ by us at least five times. Maybe he thinks we (order) _____ already.

2. John and Sara (look) _____ for a house to buy since they arrived last fall. Their real estate agent (help) _____ them look at houses. But all the houses they (look) _____ at (be) _____ more than they could pay.

Reading Comprehension: Holding the Bag -- Chapter 9 INSIDE THE BLACK BAG

Last week we read about Negasi finding a black bag in the backseat of his taxi. Now we will find out what is in that bag.

Negasi looks at the black bag in the backseat. He unlocks the door of his taxi and picks up the bag. He opens it. There is a lot of cash inside. "This is unbelievable," says Negasi. "That man left one of those black bags in my taxi."

Negasi puts the bag under his coat and walks up the stairs to his apartment. Ana and the children are happy to see him. "Hi, Dad!" says his daughter, Desta. "My new glasses are ready! We can pick them up tomorrow."

"That's nice," says Negasi. "But this time, you must take better care of them. Glasses are very expensive."

"It wasn't my fault," says Desta. "Dawit stepped on them."

"Leave your father alone," says Ana. "He's tired now. Let him eat. You two need to go brush your teeth and get into bed."

Ana goes to help the children get ready for bed. Negasi sets the bag on the chair next to him. He eats a few bites of food, but he isn't very hungry. After a few minutes, Ana returns. She has put the children to bed. Ana sits down at the table. "I was worried about you, Negasi! Did you have a hard day?"

"A very hard day," says Negasi. He picks up the bag, opens it and spills a large pile of cash onto the table. "But a passenger gave me a really big tip."

Questions:

1. What was in the black bag?
2. Why does Negasi put the bag under his coat?
3. What can they pick up tomorrow?
4. What does Negasi tell his daughter to do?
5. Why does Desta say the broken glasses were not her fault?
6. What did Negasi tell Ana about the money?

7. Do you think Negasi will tell the police about the money?

PRONUNCIATION PRACTICE

The letter C can have an S sound or a K sound. Sometimes, in a word with two C's, one is pronounced S and the other K. EX: icicle, circus, succeed

Note: When C comes directly before E, I or Y, we pronounce it with the S sound.

EX: cereal, city, rice, cycle, space, juice

Pronounce these words:

culture	price	comb	cent	celery	silence
cold	pencil	candle	face	secure	exciting
medicine	crucial	replace	circle	excess	scale

Which word in the table above means:

1. _____ - something that weighs a person or object. She stepped on the _____ and discovered she had gained five pounds.
2. _____ - a block of wax with a wick that provide light. She put one _____ on the baby's birthday cake.
3. _____ - safe. To keep your house _____, lock the doors.
4. _____ - what something costs. Look on the tag to see the _____.
5. _____ - something used to cure illness. The doctor prescribed _____ for her sore throat.
6. _____ - something really important. Her work was _____ to our success.
7. _____ - use something instead of something else. We had to _____ our old TV because it stopped working.
8. _____ - more than you need. We finished the project and had supplies left over that we didn't need. What should we do with the _____.
9. _____ - no sound. I enjoy the _____ of the forests.
10. _____ - the traditions and beliefs of a group Each country has its own _____.

Crime Idioms:

- ☀ If you "blow the whistle" on someone, you report them to the police. EX: The neighbors saw the teenagers breaking windows and blew the whistle. Have you ever "blown the whistle" on anyone?

- ☀ If someone is "behind bars", they are in jail. EX: He's been behind bars for years.
- ☀ If you "cover your tracks", you hide what you did. EX: The thief covered his tracks well. He didn't leave a single fingerprint.
- ☀ If you "get caught red handed", you get caught in the act of doing something wrong. EX: The woman saw the man pick up her purse and pull out her cash. She caught him red handed. My granddaughter was reaching into the cookie jar for a cookie. I caught her red handed!

Discuss:

- a. Name one thing that is different about American culture.
- b. What appliances have you replaced recently?
- c. Do you know the price of most of the things you buy?
- d. Name something you have an excess of.