

1 Choose the correct words or phrases (a or b) to complete the text.

My sister ¹ chess since she was child. When she was seven years old, our grandfather ² her a chessboard and ³ her how to play. She ⁴ the game and ⁵ it every day. Two years later, she ⁶ a prize in a national competition. Since then, she ⁷ part in competitions around the world. She ⁸ chess players from many different countries too. ⁹ a game? 'Of course!' she says. ¹⁰ lots of games. But every time I lose, I learn something new.'

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| 1 a has played | b played |
| 2 a has given | b gave |
| 3 a has taught | b taught |
| 4 a has loved | b loved |
| 5 a has played | b played |
| 6 a has won | b won |
| 7 a has taken | b took |
| 8 a has met | b met |
| 9 a Has she ever lost | b Did she ever lose |
| 10 a I've lost | b I lost |

2 Complete the sentences with the correct present perfect or past simple form of the words in brackets.

- 1 A _____ (you / ever / bake) a cake?
B Yes, I _____. I _____ (make) my brother's wedding cake last year.
- 2 She _____ (already / spend) more than £500 on clothes this year and it's only February!
- 3 He _____ (join) an ice hockey team when he was in Toronto in 2010.
- 4 We _____ (not / do) any exercise since Christmas!
- 5 A _____ (you / see) Tom yesterday?
B No, I _____. I _____ (not / see) him for about two weeks.
- 6 Five years ago, my parents _____ (visit) Croatia.
- 7 I _____ (never / play) this game before.
- 8 We _____ (see) a really good film on TV last night.
- 9 My brother _____ (just / finish) his exams.
- 10 They _____ (not / return) from their shopping trip yet.

3 **SPEAKING** Complete these sentences with six true facts and one lie. Then ask and answer questions in pairs to find out about your partner. Can you spot your partner's lie?

Last weekend, I ...

I haven't ... for five years.

I've never ...

Ten years ago, I ...

I've already ... today.

I haven't ... yet today.

In 2014, I ...

What did you do last weekend?

Last weekend, I played basketball.
What haven't you done for five years?

I haven't eaten meat for five years.

What have you never done?

I've never been to Australia.

2B Present perfect and past simple contrast

Aims: To review and practise the present perfect and the past simple.

Time: 10–15 minutes

Materials: One handout for each student

Exercise 1

- Give each student a handout and ask them to do exercise 1. Tell them to read through the whole text first, before they try to choose the correct option. Check answers by asking different students to read out the completed text, one sentence at a time.

KEY

1 a 2 b 3 b 4 b 5 b 6 b 7 a 8 a
9 a 10 a

Exercise 2

- Students form the correct tense, present perfect or past simple, of the verb in brackets. Remind them, if necessary, that we use the present perfect with *ever*, *never*, *yet*, *already*, *just*, *for* and *since* and we use the past simple with specific times in the past.

KEY

- 1 Have you ever baked; have; made
- 2 has already spent
- 3 joined
- 4 haven't done
- 5 Did you see; didn't; haven't seen
- 6 visited
- 7 have never played
- 8 saw
- 9 has just finished
- 10 haven't returned

Exercise 3

- Students work first individually and then in pairs. Go through the sentence stems with the class and elicit the past simple stems (*Last weekend, I ...; Ten years ago, I; In 2014, I ...*) and the present perfect stems. You could also play this game with the whole class, reading out sentences about yourself first, and challenging the class to spot the lie.