



# PRESENT PERFECT/ PAST SIMPLE

## 1.- WRITE THE VERB IN BRACKETS IN PAST SIMPLE OR PRESENT PERFECT

1. Shakespeare \_\_\_\_\_(WRITE) a lot of plays.
2. My brother \_\_\_\_\_(WRITE) several plays. He \_\_\_\_\_( JUST FINISH) his 2<sup>nd</sup> tragedy.
3. She \_\_\_\_\_( BREAK) his leg in a skiing accident last year.
4. He \_\_\_\_\_(NOT SMOKE) for 2 weeks He is trying to give it up.
5. Here are your shoes. I \_\_\_\_\_(ALREADY CLEAN) them
6. We \_\_\_\_\_(MISS) the bus. Now, we'll have to walk.
7. I \_\_\_\_\_(MEET) him last June. We \_\_\_\_\_(BE) friends since then.
8. " \_\_\_\_\_(YOU HAVE) breakfast yet?" "Yes, I \_\_\_\_\_(HAVE) it at 8:00".
9. You are late. The play \_\_\_\_\_(ALREADY BEGIN)
10. It \_\_\_\_\_(BE) very cold this year. I wonder when it is going to get warmer.
11. "I \_\_\_\_\_(NEVER DRINK) wine." "Well, have some now"
12. "This is my house" "Really?, How long \_\_\_\_\_(YOU LIVE) here?"  
"I \_\_\_\_\_(LIVE) here for ten years. We \_\_\_\_\_(ARRIVE) IN 2001"
13. \_\_\_\_\_(YOU WEAR) your hair long when you were at school. Yes, my mother insisted on. But when I \_\_\_\_\_(LEAVE) school, I \_\_\_\_\_(CUT) my hair and I \_\_\_\_\_(wear) it short ever since.
14. He \_\_\_\_\_(LIVE) in London for two years and then he \_\_\_\_\_(GO) to Bristol.
15. I \_\_\_\_\_(FLY) OVER Loch Ness last summer. " \_\_\_\_\_(YOU SEE) the Monster?"
16. I \_\_\_\_\_(NOT SEE) him for 3 years. I wonder where he is.
17. Chopin \_\_\_\_\_(COMPOSE) some of his music in Majorca.
18. When \_\_\_\_\_(HE ARRIVE)? He \_\_\_\_\_(ARRIVE) at five o'clock.
19. \_\_\_\_\_(YOU LOCK) the door before you left the house?
20. I \_\_\_\_\_(READ) his books when I was at school. I \_\_\_\_\_(ENJOY) them much.
21. I \_\_\_\_\_( WRITE) the letter but I can't find a stamp.
22. Mr. Pound is the bank manager. He \_\_\_\_\_(BE) here all his life.
23. "The clock is slow" " It isn't slow, it \_\_\_\_\_(STOP).
24. Where is John? "He \_\_\_\_\_(JUST GO) out. He \_\_\_\_\_(GO) out ten minutes ago.
25. The concert \_\_\_\_\_(BEGIN) yesterday at 2:30 and \_\_\_\_\_(LAST) for two hours. Everyone \_\_\_\_\_(ENJOY) it very much.
26. " \_\_\_\_\_(The newspaper/ COME) ? "Yes, Ann is reading it"
27. The actors \_\_\_\_\_(ARRIVE) yesterday and \_\_\_\_\_( START) rehearsals this morning.

## 2.- UNDERLINE THE CORRECT FORM OF THE VERB: PAST SIMPLE OR PRESENT PERFECT.

Annie: *Have you ever been / Did you ever go* to the USA?

Steve: Yes, I *have been / went* there last summer.

Annie: Really? What *have you seen / did you see* ?

Steve: Well, I *have visited / visited* the usual things. I *have seen / saw* the Statue of Liberty and I *have been / went* for a walk in Central Park.

Annie: *Has it been / Was it* good?

Steve: Yes, I *have had / had* a wonderful time. And *have you ever been / did you ever go* there?

Annie: Yes, I *have been / went* there twice.

## 3. COMPLETE THE TEXT

Have you ever had malaria? If you have, the chances are that you \_\_\_\_\_(get) the disease in a hot country. Malaria is most common in tropical countries, especially those with wet and humid climates, where the mosquitos which carry the disease can flourish. However, recently, malaria \_\_\_\_\_(become) more common in Canada. According to a recent report, over 1000 people \_\_\_\_\_(contract) the disease in Canada in 1997, and the number \_\_\_\_\_(rise) every year since 1994. This is an alarming trend.

Why is the incidence of malaria rising here? The answer is travel. More and more Canadians travel abroad every year, and some of them catch malaria. However, when a Toronto woman \_\_\_\_\_(become) sick last year, her doctor \_\_\_\_\_(discover) that she \_\_\_\_\_(never travel) abroad in her life. She must have been bitten by a mosquito which \_\_\_\_\_(get) the disease from another sick Canadian.

