

# Present Perfect Tense

#### What is Present Perfect Tense?

The present perfect tense is used to describe:

- An action completed in the recent past.
- An action whose effect continues in the present.

### **Examples:**

I have eaten my meal.

- We have reached the station.
- She has won the first prize.

#### **Formation of Present Perfect Tense**

#### Formula:

Subject + has/have + past participle (V3)

- "has" is used with: he, she, it, singular nouns
- "have" is used with: I, you, we, they, plural nouns

### **Grammar Tip:**

We often use "just" or "already" with the present perfect tense.

#### **Examples:**

- She has just left.
- I have already done my homework.

**Verb Forms: Present, Past, and Past Participle** 

**Every verb has three basic forms:** 

Present	Past	Past Participle
play	played	played
write	wrote	written
eat	ate	eaten
go	went	gone

# **Past Participle Formation Rules**

1. Regular Verbs

Add -ed to most base verbs

- $\circ$  play  $\rightarrow$  played
- clean → cleaned
- 2. Verbs ending in s, ss, ch, sh, x, z

Add -ed

- o watch → watched
- o wash → washed
- 3. Verbs ending in e, ee, or ie

Add -d

- o agree → agreed
- o **like** → liked
- 4. Verbs ending in consonant + y

Change y to -ied

- $\circ$  try  $\rightarrow$  tried
- o hurry → hurried
- 5. Irregular Verbs

Learn by heart (Examples below):

Base	Past	Past Participle
eat	ate	eaten
go	went	gone
write	wrote	written
see	saw	seen
read	read	read (same spelling, different pronunciation)

### **Use of Present Perfect Tense**

# We use present perfect to:

- Talk about actions that just happened
  She has just left.
- Talk about actions that are already done
  I have already eaten.

# **Examples of Sentences in Present Perfect**

### **Positive:**

- I have completed the assignment.
- She has written a letter.

# **Negative:**

- I have not worked today.
- We have not planned our holiday.

# Interrogative:

- Have you done your homework?
- Has she seen the movie?

# **Practice Questions from the Chapter**

## Fill in the blanks:

- 1. The children \_\_\_\_\_ the pudding. (eat)
- 2. He \_\_\_\_\_\_ a new job. (find)
- 3. She \_\_\_\_\_ her name. (write)
- 4. I \_\_\_\_\_\_ your name. (forget)
- 5. We \_\_\_\_\_ our homework. (finish)

## Make your own sentences using clues:

- 1. I / take / dinner
- → I have taken dinner.
- 2. You / do / homework
- → You have done your homework.
- 3. Neha / write / a letter
- → Neha has written a letter.
- 4. We / not plan / holiday
- → We have not planned our holiday.

#### **Points to Remember**

- Present perfect = has/have + past participle
- Used for completed actions with present effects
- Often used with already, just, yet
- Know your verb forms to use it correctly