



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:

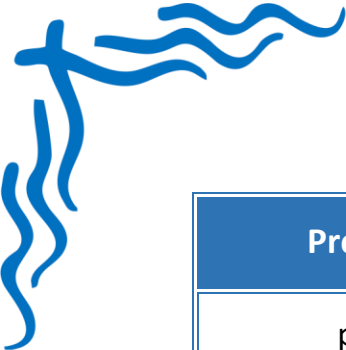
We often use "just" or "already" with the present perfect tense.

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

- **play** → played
- **clean** → cleaned

2. Verbs ending in s, ss, ch, sh, x, z

Add -ed

- **watch** → watched
- **wash** → washed

3. Verbs ending in e, ee, or ie

Add -d

- **agree** → agreed
- **like** → liked

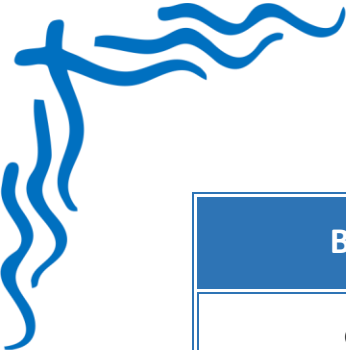
4. Verbs ending in consonant + y

Change y to -ied

- **try** → tried
- **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