

Test C: Present Perfect and Past Simple

Practice

A

Put in the past participles of the verbs in brackets.

- ▶ We've found (find) all the answers.
- 1 Have you (wash) the car?
- 2 You haven't (eat) very much.
- 3 They've (open) a new supermarket.
- 4 You've (write) it in pencil.
- 5 I've (make) the sandwiches.
- 6 We've (have) our lunch.
- 7 United have (score) a goal.
- 8 The balloon has (land) in a field.
- 9 Who's (break) this glass?
- 10 It's warm because the heating has (be) on.
- 11 Have you (sell) your flat yet?
- 12 I've (finish) that job at last.

B

Complete the second sentence so that it follows on from the first. Use the Present Perfect.

- ▶ My hair is tidy now. I've brushed my hair.
- 1 The door is open. Someone the door.
- 2 This is Oliver's drawing, look. Oliver a picture.
- 3 The calculator is broken. Someone the calculator.
- 4 United are the winners. United the game.
- 5 There's no more wine in the bottle. We all the wine.
- 6 The floor is clean now. I the floor.
- 7 I know my number now. I my number by heart.
- 8 The guests are here now. The guests
- 9 I'm still working on the computer. I with the computer yet.

C

Decide which word is correct.

- ▶ I'd like to borrow this book. Has Anna read it yet ?
a) done b) for c) just d) yet
- 1 Ben writes very quickly. He's finished his essay.
a) already b) been c) for d) yet
- 2 What are you going to do? ~ I don't know. I haven't decided
a) just b) long c) since d) yet
- 3 I've to London. I went there in June.
a) been b) gone c) just d) yet
- 4 Have you done any skiing?
a) ever b) for c) just d) long
- 5 My boyfriend hasn't rung week.
a) for b) last c) since d) this
- 6 I haven't seen that coat before. How have you had it?
a) already b) for c) long d) since
- 7 The girls have to the cinema. They won't be back until ten o'clock.
a) already b) been c) gone d) just

- 8 I haven't seen my parents last Christmas.
 a) already b) before c) for d) since
- 9 This is the first I've ever lived away from home.
 a) already b) since c) that d) time
- 10 This programme must be new. I've seen it before.
 a) ever b) never c) since d) yet

D

Some of these sentences are correct, and some have a word which should not be there. If the sentence is correct, put a tick (✓). If it is incorrect, cross the unnecessary *have* or *has* out of the sentence and write it in the space.

- ▶ Susan has lost her keys. She can't find them anywhere. ✓
- ▶ Christopher has hurt his hand, but it's OK now. ~~has~~
- 1 The directors have arrived half an hour ago, but they didn't stay long.
- 2 It's raining, and Peter has left his umbrella behind, look.
- 3 It's a long time since your friends have last visited us.
- 4 None of you have called me for weeks. Aren't we friends any more?
- 5 We can play tennis now. The others have finished.
- 6 The company has bought some land, but then it sold it.
- 7 The computer isn't on now. Someone has turned it off.
- 8 Tessa has posted the parcel. It's on its way to you.
- 9 Several bombs have gone off in the city centre. It has happened an hour ago.
- 10 Simon has left. He and Oliver have left after lunch.

E

Put in the Present Perfect or Past Simple of the verbs in brackets.

- ▶ I've ~~had~~ (have) these shoes since my eighteenth birthday.
- ▶ I ~~tidied~~ (tidy) my desk, but now it's in a mess again.
- 1 The last time I (go) to Brighton was in August.
- 2 I'd like to meet a ghost, but I (never / see) one.
- 3 I've finished my homework. I (do) it before tea.
- 4 And the race is over! And Micky Simpson (win) in a record time!
- 5 I (work) for a computer company for a year. That was after college.
- 6 What time (you / get) to work this morning?
- 7 Martin (be) to Greece five times. He loves the place.
- 8 The President (come) out of the building and is going to make a speech.
- 9 You won't believe this, but I've got some tickets for the concert. ~ Oh, well done. How (you / get) them?
- 10 Of course I can ride a bike. But I (not / ride) one for years.
- 11 Marilyn Monroe (be) in about thirty films.
- 12 (you / ever / bake) your own bread? ~ No, but I might try it some time.
- 13 Janet (be) very ill three years ago.
- 14 Rupert has left a message for you. He (ring) last night.
- 15 (you / see) the news today? ~ No, not yet. I'll watch it at ten.
- 16 We moved here in 1993. We (be) here a long time now.

Practice

A I have been doing or I have done? (1)

Look at these conversations and put in the correct form of the verb. Use the Present Perfect Continuous or Simple.

- ▶ Sarah: I feel really tired.
 Mark: It's because *you've been doing* (you / do) too much.
 Sarah: Well, at least *I've finished* (I / finish) that report now, and I can relax.
- 1 David: Someone (leave) the ladder outside, look.
 Harriet: I expect that's Mike. (he / clean) the windows.
 I don't think (he / finish) yet.
- 2 Laura: You've got mud on your shoes.
 Trevor: It's all right, I'll take them off. (I / work) in the garden.
 Laura: Yes, it looks a lot tidier. Well done. (you / do) a good job.
- 3 Tom: (I / hear) that you and Harriet are building a garage. How long (you / do) that?
 Mike: Oh, for about a month now. (we / do) about half of it.

B I have been doing or I have done? (1)

What would you ask in these situations? Use the Present Perfect Continuous or Simple.

- ▶ Your friend is wearing glasses. You've never seen him with glasses on before. Ask him how long ...
How long have you been wearing glasses?
- ▶ Nick is playing computer games. Ask him how many ...
How many computer games have you played?
- 1 You meet a group of people walking across country. Ask them how many miles ...

- 2 Some workmen are digging up the road outside Sarah's house. Ask her how long ...

- 3 Laura is taking lots of photos of you and your friends. Ask her how many ...

- 4 You have just woken up from an afternoon sleep and seen that it is raining. Ask your friend how long ...

C I have been doing or I have done? (1-2)

Complete the conversation. Put the verbs in the Present Perfect Continuous or Simple.

- Laura: What are you doing, Trevor? (▶) *You've been* (you / be) in here for ages. You're making an awful mess.
- Trevor: (1) (I / clear) out this cupboard most of the afternoon.
 There's a lot of old stuff in here. (2) (I / find) these, look.
- Laura: (3) (you / sit) there staring at those old boots for the last five minutes. (4) (I / watch) you.
 (5) (you / be) in a dream.
- Trevor: They're football boots. (6) (I / have) them since I was about sixteen. (7) (they / be) in here for years.
- Laura: Well, throw them away. And what about that tennis racket? Is that yours?
- Trevor: No, it must be yours. (8) (I / never / have) a tennis racket.