

Intermediate Grammar

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SAMPLE **Unit 4 (answers)**

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Unit 4: The Present Perfect Simple versus The Past Simple

Task 1

1. Have you ever done extreme sports? This is ☒The Present Perfect ☐The Past Simple We know exactly when it happened ☐Yes ☒No There is a reference to past time ☐Yes ☒No - If so, what is it? There is an unfinished time reference ☒Yes ☐No - If so, what is it? <i>Ever (i.e. in your life)</i>	4. She had an accident yesterday This is ☐The Present Perfect ☒The Past Simple We know exactly when it happened ☒Yes ☐No There is a reference to past time ☒Yes ☐No - If so, what is it? <i>Yesterday</i> There is an unfinished time reference ☐Yes ☒No - If so, what is it?
2. It didn't go well This is ☐The Present Perfect ☒The Past Simple We know exactly when it happened ☐Yes ☒No There is a reference to past time ☐Yes ☒No - If so, what is it? <i>It's not specified, but she said yes so we know it happened (in the past)</i> There is an unfinished time reference ☐Yes ☒No - If so, what is it?	5. It hasn't healed yet This is ☒The Present Perfect ☐The Past Simple We know exactly when it happened ☐Yes ☒No There is a reference to past time ☐Yes ☒No - If so, what is it? There is an unfinished time reference ☒Yes ☐No - If so, what is it? <i>Yet</i>
3. Mary's broken her leg This is ☒The Present Perfect ☐The Past Simple We know exactly when it happened ☐Yes ☒No There is a reference to past time ☐Yes ☒No - If so, what is it? There is an unfinished time reference ☐Yes ☒No - If so, what is it? <i>Again, it's not specified, but we can see the result of the past action (i.e. the broken leg now)</i>	6. Did you follow my instructions? This is ☐The Present Perfect ☒The Past Simple We know exactly when it happened ☐Yes ☒No There is a reference to past time ☐Yes ☒No - If so, what is it? <i>It's not specified, but he's clearly referring to the period before now</i> There is an unfinished time reference ☐Yes ☒No - If so, what is it?

Task 2



The question is in...

☒ The Present Perfect ☐ The Past Simple

Time Reference? *yet*

This is ☒ open (unfinished) ☐ closed (finished)

The short answer is in...

☒ The Present Perfect ☐ The Past Simple

When more information is then given, it's in...

☐ The Present Perfect ☒ The Past Simple

The reference to time is: *yesterday*

This is ☐ open (unfinished) ☒ closed (finished)



The question is in...

☐ The Present Perfect ☒ The Past Simple

Time Reference? *yesterday*

This is ☐ open (unfinished) ☒ closed (finished)

The short answer is in...

☐ The Present Perfect ☒ The Past Simple



The question is in...

☒ The Present Perfect ☐ The Past Simple

Time Reference? *Ever*

This is ☒ open (unfinished) ☐ closed (finished)

The short answer is in...

☒ The Present Perfect ☐ The Past Simple

When more information is then given, it's in...

☐ The Present Perfect ☒ The Past Simple

Time reference?

This is ☐ open (unfinished) ☒ closed (finished)



The question is in...

☐ The Present Perfect ☒ The Past Simple

Time Reference? *Last summer*

This is ☐ open (unfinished) ☒ closed (finished)

The short answer is in...

☒ The Present Perfect ☒ The Past Simple



The question is in...

☒ The Present Perfect ☐ The Past Simple

Why is there no time reference?

Because we can see the result(s) of a past action or actions NOW.

The short answer is in...

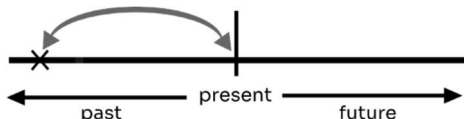
☒ The Present Perfect ☐ The Past Simple

When more information is then given, it's in...

☒ The Present Perfect ☐ The Past Simple

Why?

Because no specific time is mentioned, we're still referring to the entire period from past to present.



The question is in...

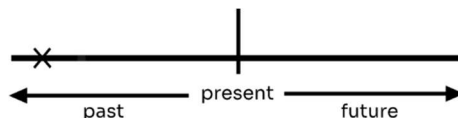
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Time Reference? *When*

This is ☐ open (unfinished) ☒ closed (finished)

The short answer is in...

☐ The Present Perfect ☒ The Past Simple

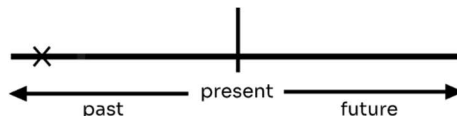


Task 3

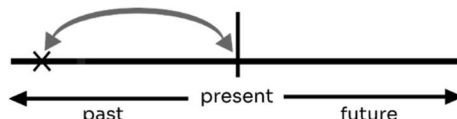
'FOR' or 'SINCE' with The Present Perfect?



☒ For ☐ Since with references to a **specific point in time**



☐ For ☒ Since with references to the **length of time**



Task 4

Time References	OPEN	CLOSED
1. ago (e.g. two days ago, a week ago)	☐	☒
2. already	☒	☐
3. at the weekend (BrE) / on the weekend (AmE)	☐	☒
4. before (e.g. I saw him before)	☐	☒
5. before (life experience: I've seen it before)	☒	☐
6. ever	☒	☐
7. for (e.g. for two years, for a long time)	☒	☐
8. in 2020 / in 2015 / in June	☐	☒
9. in my life	☒	☐
10. in the past	☐	☒
11. just	☒	☐
12. last night / last week / last month / last year	☐	☒
13. long ago	☐	☒
14. never	☒	☐
15. once / one day	☐	☒
16. over the years	☒	☐
17. recently / lately	☒	☐
18. since (e.g. since 2020, since Monday)	☒	☐
19. so far	☒	☐
20. still (in negatives/questions: I still haven't finished)	☒	☐
21. that day / that year	☐	☒
22. the other day	☐	☒
23. then	☐	☒
24. this morning/this afternoon/this evening (finished)	☐	☒
25. today / this week / this month (if not finished)	☒	☐
26. up to now / until now	☒	☐
27. when I was a child	☐	☒
28. yesterday	☐	☒
29. yet	☒	☐