

## Grammar 2

### Present perfect and past simple

#### present perfect

I've **played** the guitar since I was ten.

#### past simple

I **played** the guitar yesterday.

#### LOOK!

We use the present perfect for actions that began in the past and continue in the present. We use the past simple for completed actions in the past.

#### 1 Complete the sentences and questions with the past simple form of the verbs in brackets.

- We \_\_\_\_\_ (not talk) about self-awareness in class yesterday.
- \_\_\_\_\_ (she / have) many cats a few years ago?
- Where \_\_\_\_\_ (you / learn) to be creative?
- My dad \_\_\_\_\_ (bake) cupcakes last weekend. They \_\_\_\_\_ (be) delicious!
- I \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to an interview last month but I \_\_\_\_\_ (not get) the job.

#### 2 Complete the table with the time expressions in the box.

already for two years just last week  
since I was young two days ago  
when I was 12 yesterday yet

present perfect	past simple
How long ...?	in 1998
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

#### 3 Complete the sentences and questions with the present perfect or past simple form of the verbs in brackets.

- We \_\_\_\_\_ (have) this car for three years.
- Yesterday the teacher \_\_\_\_\_ (ask) the class to write about their skills.
- How long \_\_\_\_\_ (you / study) French?
- The class \_\_\_\_\_ (do) a few workshops in 2012.
- My aunt is a nurse, but she \_\_\_\_\_ (not work) in a hospital yet.
- The college \_\_\_\_\_ (organize) monthly sessions since last autumn.

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#### 4 Complete the dialogue with the words in the box.

asked did didn't haven't spoken  
started

**Karen** Have you ever (1) \_\_\_\_\_ in public?

**Jason** No, but a few months ago, the teacher (2) \_\_\_\_\_ us to make a video blog about ourselves. I (3) \_\_\_\_\_ want to talk in front of a camera.

**Karen** What (4) \_\_\_\_\_ you do?

**Jason** I (5) \_\_\_\_\_ practising in front of a camera in my bedroom.

**Karen** Did it work?

**Jason** Yes actually, it did! I (6) \_\_\_\_\_ thought about it yet, but I suppose I feel much more confident because of that experience.

