

## 2A GRAMMAR present perfect and past simple

### a Circle the correct verb.

**Mike** So, where shall we go for our honeymoon?

**Gina** I don't know. Maybe somewhere in North Africa. Have you ever **been** / **gone** to Morocco?

**Mike** Yes, **I've been** / **I went** there.

**Gina** I didn't know that. When **have you been** / **did you go** there?

**Mike** The year after I **have finished** / **finished** university.

**Gina** What about Egypt?

**Mike** **I've been** / **I went** there, too.

**Gina** Who **have you been** / **did you go** with?

**Mike** With an ex-girlfriend. But we only **have been** / **went** to Cairo. Let's go there.

**Gina** No, let's go somewhere else.



### b Complete the dialogues with the correct form of the verbs in brackets: past simple or present perfect. Use contractions where possible.

1 **A** How long have you been (you / be) married, Glenn?

**B** Twenty-two years! Maxine and I <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (have) our wedding anniversary three weeks ago.

**A** Where <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (you / meet)? At university?

**B** No, it <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (be) long before that. Actually, we <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to the same school. We <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (know) each other for a long time. What about you?

**A** I'm divorced. I <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (get) divorced a year ago.

**B** How long <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (you / be) married?

**A** Just a couple of years.

**B** So, you're on your own now?

**A** Yes, but I <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (just / meet) someone new and I really like her.



2 **A** <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (you / teach) English abroad before, Ms Jenkins?

**B** Yes, I <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (teach) from 2009-2011 in Bolivia, and I <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (just / come) back from a four-month job in Columbia.

**A** How long <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (you / be) a language teacher?

**B** Exactly six years. Before that I <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (be) a primary school teacher.

**A** Do you have any post-graduate qualifications?

**B** I <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (start) an MA in Linguistics with the Open University last year, but I <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not finish) it yet.



### activation

### c Practise the dialogues in a and b with a partner.

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- a 2 I've been 3 did you go 4 finished 5 I've been  
6 did you go 7 went
- b 1 2 had 3 did you meet 4 was 5 went 6 've known  
7 got 8 were you 9 've just met
- 2 1 Have you taught 2 taught 3 have just come  
4 have you been 5 was 6 started  
7 haven't finished