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An Interesting Place

Present Perfect Tense 3 + Simple Past Tense

How long have you been a painter?

I have been a painter since 2007.

The tree house looks interesting.

Yes, I visited there last year.

Let's go and find the house!

Grammar in Focus

We use 'How long', 'for' and 'since' with the present perfect tense to talk about something that started in the past but continues in the present.

How long	have you been a writer?	I've been a writer	since	1995.
	have you written books?	I've written books	for	10 years.

We use the simple past tense to talk about past activities.

What	did	he	do	yesterday?	He went shopping.
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We use 'ago' or 'in' when we talk about something that took place at a specific time in the past.

I drew the picture	2 years ago.	I went to Japan	in 2009.
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Mistakes Corner

✓ I wrote this book two years ago.

✗ I have written this book two years ago.

1. Eric (A lived / B has live) in the USA ten years ago.

2. John (A studied / B has studied) in Canada for ten years.

A. Isabel went travelling in Hong Kong last month. She is telling Hugo about her journey. Match the descriptions to the correct places.

1. I **looked** at animals and plants in this place.



a) Hong Kong Museum of Art

2. I **looked** at many famous paintings in this place.



b) Hong Kong Museum of History

3. I **saw** many old things in this place.



c) Hong Kong Cultural Centre

4. I **watched** plays in this place.



d) Hong Kong Wetland Park

B. Matt is asking his friends some questions. Complete the questions and answers using 'How long', 'since' or 'for' and with the help of the given words.

e.g. _____ How long _____ have you been a teacher? (7 years)

I have been a teacher _____ for seven years _____.

1. _____ have you lived in this house? (2015)

I have lived in this house _____.

2. _____ have you studied in this school? (5 years)

I have studied in this school _____.

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3. _____ have you started collecting stickers? (I was eight)

I have started collecting stickers _____.

4. _____ your mother _____ lunch for you? (make, 2 years)

5. _____ your brothers _____ athletes? (be, 2019)

C. There are many interesting things on display in the house. Correct the underlined words.

1. Someone finds a whale's tooth in 1888.

2. Someone first driven the car in 1975.

3. Someone saw a monster in Sunny Lake five years later.

4. The man has been an actor since seventy years.

5. The painting has been in the house for 1910.

6. I have saw so many strange things here.

D. Matt is talking to Isabel about a book. Fill in the blanks with 'ago' or 'in' and the correct form of the given verbs.

Matt : I bought this book two days *e.g.* _____ ago. It is about different interesting people, like Mr Lee, the songwriter.

Isabel : What songs ① _____ he _____ (write)?

Matt : He ② _____ (write) a song called 'Green Earth'

③ _____ 1998.

Isabel : Why ④ _____ he _____ (become) a songwriter?

Matt : It was because he ⑤ _____ (want) to tell people more about our planet with his songs. The book also talks about an inventor, Dr Smith who

⑥ _____ (start) to invent things 40 years ⑦ _____. However, people ⑧ _____ (not like) his inventions at that time.

Isabel : ⑨ _____ he _____ (give) up?

Matt : No, he ⑩ _____ (not give) up. He finally

⑪ _____ (invent) a flower torch ⑫ _____

2010. It was a popular invention at that time.





E. Isabel is writing a biography of Matt. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the given verbs.

Matt Spencer

Matt is a 10-year-old boy. He e.g. _____ was _____ (be) born in 2010.

He ① _____ (live) in the UK 8 years ago. He studied in English Learning School from 2013 to 2014. He ② _____

(not like) science at first. One day, his teacher asked him to join the Science Club. After joining the club, he started to like science. He

③ _____ (invent) many things since 2014.

He ④ _____ (join) a science competition and

⑤ _____ (win) a prize in 2015.

Matt and his family ⑥ _____ (move) to Hong

Kong in 2016. He ⑦ _____ (study) in Sunshine Primary School for 4 years. At first, he was quiet and shy. However, he changed when he

⑧ _____ (meet) a nice teacher 2 years ago. The teacher asked

Matt to share what he liked with his classmates. What ⑨ _____

he _____ (share) with his classmates? He shared his

experiences of inventing things. He also started to invent things with them. Matt

and his classmates ⑩ _____ (make) a lot of interesting things

together since 2016. Matt is now very popular in his class!



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