



In-text Grammar

We use the **present perfect tense** to talk about an experience up to now without giving a specific time. We use '**never**', '**once**', '**twice**' or '**(number) times**' to talk about the number of times we have done something up to now.

e.g. Miss Robinson **has tried** egg tarts **twice** in Hong Kong.

e.g. The children **have never been** to the Sam Tung Uk Museum before.

John is reading the journal entries of a hiker called Ann Harris.

16th July (Tuesday)

Sharp Peak in Sai Kung is the steepest hill in Hong Kong. Max and I decided to hike there today despite the shower in the morning. I have never been there before. I have heard that the trail is tough so I was nervous. In the end, I found the journey too exhausting so we ended it early. On our way home, Max asked me to look at the stunning view of Sai Wan Beach but I was too tired to do so. I was thinking when to come back and conquer this trail.

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26th July (Friday)

The children were off school so I took them for a hike to the Dragon's Back near Shek O Country Park. I like this child-friendly trail because it is generally smooth and flat. The end stop is Big Wave Bay Beach, where the children can splash water around. It took us three hours to get there. It was much faster than last time!

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3rd August (Saturday)

Today Max and I arrived at Ma Liu Shui Pier early and waited for the 9 o'clock sailing to Tung Ping Chau. Although I have been there four times, the scenery was still breathtaking to me. The special-shaped rocks seemed different each time I saw them. I took many photos of the coastal rocks and other natural wonders.

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**Choose the best answers by blackening the circles.**

1. Which is **FALSE** about Ann's hike on Tuesday?

- A. The weather was wet in the morning.
 B. Ann has never hiked Sharp Peak before.
 C. Ann thought the view of Sai Wan Beach was stunning.
 D. Ann did not reach the top of Sharp Peak.

**Q1**

Eliminate the options that are true first.

2. How long did it take for Ann and her children to hike the Dragon's Back last time?

- A. 1.5 hours
 B. 2 hours
 C. 3 hours
 D. 4 hours



3. What do the hiking trails that Ann hiked on 16th July and 26th July have in common?

- A. They are both very challenging.
 B. They are both located on Hong Kong Island.
 C. They are both famous for the view.
 D. They are both close to the sea.

Fill in the blanks with the correct words.

4. How did Ann get to Tung Ping Chau from Ma Liu Shui?

She got there _____.

**Q4**

What kind of transport is related to 'pier' and 'sailing'?

5. Why didn't Ann get bored of visiting Tung Ping Chau time after time?

It was because she still found the scenery in Tung Ping Chau _____.

Fill in each blank with ONE word from the journal entries. Change the word form when necessary.

I did a lot of outdoor activities yesterday. I ⑥ _____ (v.) water around at the beach near my home with my friends in the morning and walked along a scenic hiking ⑦ _____ (n.) in Sai Kung in the afternoon. I slept like a log on my way home. What an ⑧ _____ (adj.) day!

**Q6**

Read lines 8-12 for the answer.