7 Famous couples

Present Perfect • *for, since* • Adverbs, word pairs • Short answers

STARTER What is the Past Simple and the past participle of these verbs?

write be sell win have read do eat know break

FAMOUS WRITERS

Present Perfect and Past Simple

1 Look at the photographs of two well-known English writers. How do you think they are related?

Complete the sentences with *He* or *She*.

1 _____ wrote novels about Victorian life. _____ writes novels about modern people and their relationships.
2 _____ wrote 47 novels, travel books, biographies, and short stories. _____ has written over twenty novels. _____ started writing in her thirties.
3 _____ has lived in the west of England for forty years. _____ lived in Ireland for eighteen years.
4 _____ has been married twice, and has two daughters. _____ married for the first time in 1966. _____ was married and had two sons.

T 7.1 Listen and check. Practise the sentences.

GRAMMAR SPOT

1 Find examples of the Past Simple in sentences 1–4. Find examples of the Present Perfect.
2 Complete the rule.
We make the Present Perfect with the auxiliary verb _____ + the _____.
3 Why are different tenses used in these sentences?
Anthony Trollope **wrote** forty-seven novels.
Joanna Trollope **has written** twenty novels.

▶▶ **Grammar Reference 7.1 and 7.2 p136**

2 Put the verbs in the Present Perfect or Past Simple.

1 Anthony Trollope _____ (travel) to South Africa, Australia, Egypt, and the West Indies. Joanna Trollope _____ (travel) to many parts of the world.
2 She _____ (win) many awards, and several of her stories _____ (appear) on TV.
3 Her first book _____ (come) out in 1980. Since then, she _____ (sell) more than 5 million copies.
4 She _____ (go) to school in the south of England, and _____ (study) English at Oxford University, but she _____ (live) in the country for most of her life.
5 She writes her books by hand. She _____ (have) the same pen since 1995.

T 7.2 Listen and check.

3 Here are the answers to some questions about Joanna. What are the questions?

1 For forty years.
2 English. *(... study ... ?)*
3 More than twenty.
4 Over five million.
5 In 1980.
6 Twice. *(How many times ... ?)*
7 Yes, two daughters. *(... children?)*
8 Since 1995.

T 7.3 Listen and check.

JOANNA TROLLOPE (1943–)

PRACTICE

Discussing grammar

1 Choose the correct verb form.

1 *Have you ever been / Did you ever go* to a rock concert?
2 I *saw / have seen* The Flash last week.
3 I love rock and roll. I *like / have liked* it all my life.
4 The Flash's concert *was / has been* fantastic.
5 I *have bought / bought* all their records since then.
6 The Flash *have been / are* together for over fifteen years.

Find someone who . . .

2 Your teacher will give you a card which begins *Find someone who ... .*

> Find someone who has been to China.

Decide on the question, beginning *Have you ever ... ?* Stand up, and ask everyone in the class.

Ask questions to find out more.

What did you do in China?
What were the people like?
Where did you go?
Did you enjoy it?
How long were you there?

3 Report back to the class.

No one has been to China.
Pierre and Sophie have been to China.

for and *since*

4 Complete the time expressions with *for* or *since*.

1 _____ a year	4 _____ nine o'clock	7 _____ months
2 _____ half an hour	5 _____ I was a student	8 _____ 1999
3 _____ August	6 _____ a couple of days	

5 Match a line in **A** and **B** and a sentence in **C**. There is more than one answer.

A	B	C
1 I've known my best friend	from 1988 to 1996.	It's not bad. I quite like it.
2 I last went to the cinema	for an hour.	I went camping with some friends.
3 I've had this watch	two weeks ago.	We met when we were 10.
4 We've used this book	since 1985.	I really need a cup of coffee.
5 We lived in our old flat	since the beginning of term.	My Dad gave it to me for my birthday.
6 We haven't had a break	for years.	We moved because we needed somewhere bigger.
7 I last had a holiday	for three years.	The film was rubbish.
8 This building has been a school	in 1999.	Before that it was an office.

T 7.4 Listen and check. Make similar sentences about you.

Asking questions

6 Complete the conversation.
What tenses are the three questions?

A Where _____ live, Olga?
B In a flat near the park.
A How long _____ there?
B For three years.
A And why _____ move?
B We wanted to live in a nicer area.

T 7.5 Listen and check. Practise the conversation with a partner.

7 Make more conversations, using the same tenses.

1 **A** What . . . do?	2 **A** . . . got a car?	3 **A** . . . know Pete Brown?
B I work . . .	**B** Yes, I . . .	**B** Yes, I . . .
A How long . . . ?	**A** How long . . . ?	**A** How long . . . ?
B For . . .	**B** Since . . .	**B** For . . .
A What . . . do before that?	**A** How much . . . pay for it?	**A** Where . . . meet him?
B I worked . . .	**B** It was . . .	**B** We . . .

8 With a partner, ask and answer questions beginning *How long . . . ?*

How long have you lived / worked / known / had . . . ?

Then get some more information.

Why did you move? *What did you do before . . . ?* *Where did you meet . . . ?*

LISTENING AND SPEAKING

The band *Style*

1 What kinds of music do you like? If you could meet your favourite bands or singers, what would you ask them?

2 **T 7.6** Listen to an interview with two musicians, Suzie and Guy, from the band *Style*. Put **S** or **G** in columns 1 and 2. Put ✓ or ✗ in column 3.

1 What do they do in the band?	2 Bands they have played with	3 Places they have visited
☐ guitar	☐ UB40	☐ Holland
☐ keyboards	☐ Lionel Richie	☐ Hungary
☐ drums	☐ Phil Collins	☐ America
☐ harmonica	☐ Genesis	☐ Sweden
☐ vocalist	☐ Happy Mondays	☐ Japan
	☐ Bon Jovi	☐ Italy
	☐ Ace	☐ Australia

Which bands have they played with? Which countries have they been to?

3 Answer the questions.

1 Why do Suzie and Guy feel tired?
2 What have they done this year?
3 Have they had a good time?
4 What was special about the song *Mean Street*?
5 How many years have they been together?
6 Where do they want to go?
7 What jobs has Guy had? What about Suzie? *(She's worked …)*

Language work

4 Make sentences about Suzie and Guy with the phrases in the boxes.

A	B
in April	since 1997
in 1995	about twenty-five
two years ago	fifteen years
when she left college	since he was 17

What tense are the verbs in the sentences from **A**? What about **B**?

5 Ask and answer the questions.

- What/do/before forming *Style*?
- … be/to America?
- How/meet each other?
- How many records/make?

Roleplay

6 Some of you are members of a band. Others are journalists who are going to interview the band. Your teacher will give you some ideas. When you are ready, have the interview.