

## Present Perfect or Past Simple

*Complete the mini-dialogues with the correct tense, present perfect or simple past. Look out for 'signal words'.*

- Sean: I \_\_\_\_\_ (never - be) to Paris.
- Jane: Oh, I \_\_\_\_\_ (go) there last summer. I  
\_\_\_\_\_ (do) a language course there. I  
\_\_\_\_\_ (make) a lot of new friends  
too.
- Sean: And your French is fantastic. \_\_\_\_\_  
(you – ever - think) about studying there?
- Jane: No, thanks. I'm quite happy with our British university  
system. I \_\_\_\_\_ (apply) to London,  
Reading, Bristol and a couple more.
- Sean: \_\_\_\_\_ (you hear) anything yet?
- Jane: No, it's too early. I only \_\_\_\_\_ (send  
off) the application forms last week.
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- Jill: Rob and I \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to that new  
Indian restaurant last night.
- Pete: You mean the one in Hadley Road?
- Jill: That's right. \_\_\_\_\_ (have – you -  
ever) there?
- Pete: Not yet. But Trish \_\_\_\_\_ (already -  
be) there twice – and it \_\_\_\_\_ (only -  
be) open a week. She \_\_\_\_\_ (love) the  
meal, especially the sauces. She says she  
\_\_\_\_\_ (never - eat) such great Indian  
food. What \_\_\_\_\_ (you - order)?
- Jill: Well, I \_\_\_\_\_ (have) tandoori chicken  
and Rob \_\_\_\_\_ (order) lamb curry.

Ann: \_\_\_\_\_ (you - see) Pat recently? She  
(not - call) for over a week. I \_\_\_\_\_  
(not - see) her since her birthday.

Liz: Well, actually I \_\_\_\_\_ (just - speak) to  
her. She \_\_\_\_\_ (be) very busy this  
week. You know that she \_\_\_\_\_  
(start) her holiday job last Monday. Well, she  
\_\_\_\_\_ (never - work) in an office  
before, so she \_\_\_\_\_ (have to) learn a  
lot of new things this week.

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- Sean: I **have never been** to Paris.  
Jane: Oh, I **went** there last summer. I **did** a language course there. I **made** a lot of new friends too.  
Sean: And your French is fantastic. **Have you ever thought** about studying there?  
Jane: No, thanks. I'm quite happy with our British university system. I **have applied** to London, Reading, Bristol and a couple more.  
Sean: **Have you heard** anything yet?  
Jane: No, it's too early. I only **sent off** the application forms last week.
- Jill: Rob and I **went** to that new Indian restaurant last night.  
Pete: You mean the one in Hadley Road?  
Jill: That's right. **Have you ever been** there?  
Pete: Not yet. But Trish **has already been** there twice – and it **has only been** open a week. She **loved** the meal, especially the sauces. She says she **has never eaten** such great Indian food. What **did you order**?  
Jill: Well, I **had** tandoori chicken and Rob **ordered** lamb curry.
- Ann: **Have you seen** Pat recently? She **has not called** for over a week. I **have not seen** her since her birthday.  
Liz: Well, actually I **have just spoken** to her. She **has been** very busy this week. You know that she **started** her holiday job last Monday. Well, she **has never worked** in an office before, so she **has had to** learn a lot of new things this week.