

Present Perfect



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Subject + have / had + past participle form

There are three uses.

1. Experience

I have been to Italy and Spain.

She has seen The Godfather.

2. Completed actions with effect on the future

I have washed my clothes.

He has written the report for my boss.

3. Ongoing actions

I have lived in London for 12 years.

David has been a teacher for ages.

If we use the present perfect tense to describe an ongoing action we usually add the **duration** of the event:

...for one week.

...for two months.

...for a few years.