

The Present Perfect Tense

- Choose which of these sentences are correct.

Remember we use the present perfect when the action is finished but the time is not finished, when we talk about experiences, when we talk about the duration of an action up to now and when we talk about the result now of a past action. We use the past simple when we talk about an action that happened at a specific time in the past.

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b) I have been here for 15 minutes.
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b) I have been to the park yesterday.
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