



Present Perfect Common Mistakes

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There are four common mistakes that English learners make in the present perfect tense. Let's review them, so you can avoid these mistakes!



He hasn't still washed the dishes

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We must learn the correct position of all keywords in the present perfect tense. *Still* should be in between the subject and the verb to *have*.

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He hasn't still washed the dishes



He still hasn't washed the dishes



We have been married since 5 years

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We have been married since 5 years



Try not to mix up the keywords SINCE and FOR.

For should be used with a quantity of time
whilst *since* is used with a specific day/date.

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We have been married since 5 y~~ears~~

We have been married for 5 years



He has gone to the supermarket and
now he is home

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**He has gone to the supermarket
and now he is home**



In the present perfect we use “have gone” when the subject is still at the location. We use “have been” to say they have returned from the location.

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He has gone to the supermarket
and now he is home



He has been to the supermarket and
now he is home



Have you doed your homework?

Common Mistakes

Have you **doed** your homework?



We must learn the correct past participle form of all verbs, even the irregular words. The past participle of do is DONE.

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Have you ~~doed~~ your homework?



Have you done your homework?