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General Intermediate

Homework - Unit 6: Easy to say,
difficult to be done



Present Perfect or Past Simple?

1. Match sentences 1-8 with the people A-H.

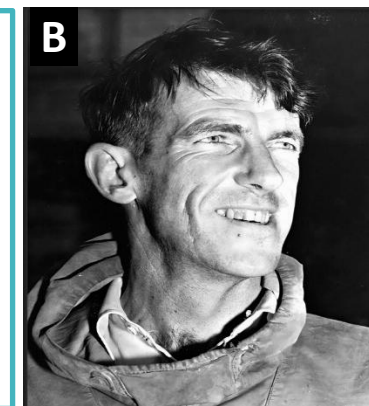
1. She's been acting since she was seven and has been married three times. She works with the UN. A
2. She fought for black Americans by refusing to give her bus seat to a white passenger in 1955. She received the Congressional Gold Medal in 1999.
3. He climbed 11 Himalayan mountains and was the first to climb Everest. His Himalayan Trust has built schools and hospitals in Nepal.
4. She fights for girls' rights to have an education and was shot by a gunman. She received the Nobel Peace Prize in 2014.
5. He won three heavyweight titles. He never refused to sign autographs after his hero Sugar Ray Robinson refused him one as a child.
6. He's been playing football professionally since he was 14. He supports many charities, and has never had a tattoo because he gives blood.
7. He's been on 19 expeditions and was the first person to walk across Antarctica. He lost the top of his fingers from frostbite.
8. She was married twice, and was voted the most beautiful woman of all time in 2006. She did a lot of work for UNICEF.

2. Complete the questions under each person using the Present Perfect or Past Simple.



ANGELINA JOLIE (1975–)
— ACTRESS, FILM DIRECTOR AND HUMANITARIAN

How many times / married?
_____ ?



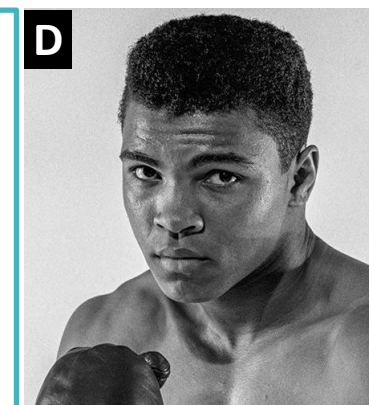
EDMUND HILLARY (1919–2008)
— EXPLORER AND MOUNTAINEER

How many Himalayan mountains / climb?
_____ ?



MALALA YOUSAFIAI (1997–)
— CHILDREN'S ACTIVIST

she / receive / any awards?
Has she received any awards?



MUHAMMAD ALI (1942–2016)
— BOXER AND ACTIVIST

he ever / refuse / sign an autograph?
_____ ?



RANULPH FIENNES (1944–)
— EXPLORER AND AUTHOR

How many expeditions / be / on?
_____ ?



AUDREY HEPBURN (1929–1993)
— ACTRESS AND HUMANITARIAN

How many times / married?
_____ ?



CRISTIANO RONALDO (1985–)
— FOOTBALLER

he ever / have / a tattoo?
_____ ?

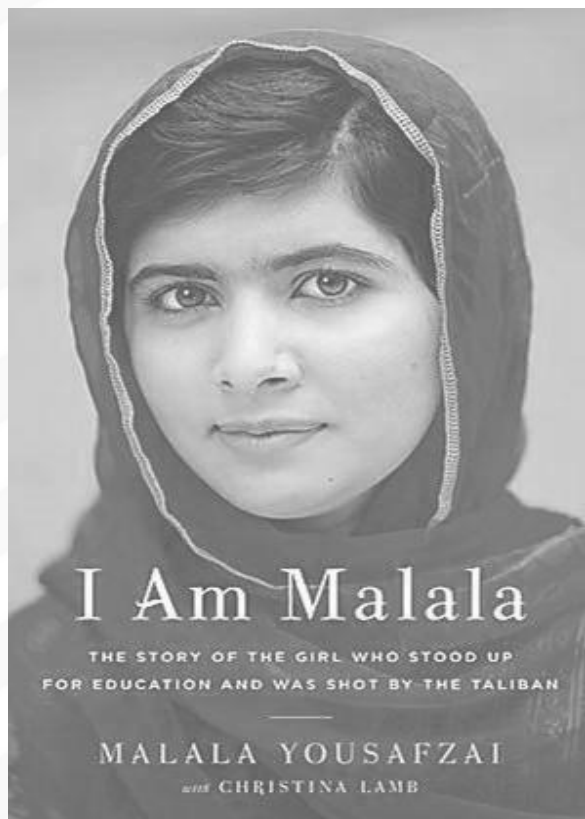


ROSA PARKS (1913–2005) — CIVIL RIGHTS ACTIVIST

she / receive / any awards?
_____ ?

Choosing the correct tense

3. Read more about the life of Malala Yousafzai. Tick (✓) the correct form of the verb.



“Extremists have shown what frightens them most: A girl With a book.”
Malala Yousafzai

1. Malala Yousafzai _____ in 1997 in north-west Pakistan.
☐ born ☐ is born ☐ was born
2. She _____ a passion for learning all her life.
☐ has ☐ has had ☐ had
3. Her father ran a school, and little Malala often _____ into the classrooms and pretended to be a teacher.
☐ went ☐ has gone ☐ has been
4. She _____ that girls have as much right to an education as boys.
☐ is always believing ☐ was always believed ☐ has always believed
5. In 2007, the Taliban _____ to attack schools for girls in Pakistan.
☐ begins ☐ began ☐ has begun
6. Over the next few years, Malala’s blog _____ well-known around the world. It explained why she continued to go to school despite the dangers.
☐ has become ☐ became ☐ becomes
7. In 2012, Malala was travelling on the school bus when she _____ in the head by a Taliban gunman.
☐ was shot ☐ was being shot ☐ has been shot
8. She survived, and _____ to a hospital in the UK, where she continued her education in 2013.
☐ has been taken ☐ took ☐ was taken
9. At the age of 17, she _____ the youngest person to receive the Nobel Peace Prize.
☐ became ☐ has become ☐ was become
10. She gave her \$1.1 million prize money to the Malala Fund, which _____ millions of dollars for girls’ education around the world.
☐ raised ☐ has raised ☐ was raised

been or gone?

4. Complete the sentences with *been* or *gone*.

1.

A: What's happened to those nice neighbours you had?

B: Oh, they've _____ to live in the south of France.

2.

A: Where's Mum?

B: She's _____ to the post office.

3.

A: When are you going on holiday?

B: We've already _____. We went to New Zealand.

4. You're home late! Where have you _____?

5.

A: Are you taking Marc to Disneyland while you're in Paris?

B: He's already _____. We took him last year.

6. I've never _____ to Japan, but I'd love to go some time.

7. If anyone asks for me, tell them I've _____ to lunch. I'll be back at 2.00.

Time expressions

5. Rewrite the sentences using the words in brackets.

1. She went to Austria in May. (It's now July.)

a. (since) She's been in Germany since April.

b. (for) _____

c. (ago) _____

2. I last saw him in 2024.

a. (since) _____

b. (for) _____

c. (ago) _____

6. Put the word in brackets in the correct place in the sentences. Sometimes more than one place is possible.

1. Have you finished that book? (already) _____

2. I've heard about your accident. (just) _____

3. I haven't read the newspaper. (yet) _____

4. Have you had breakfast? (yet) _____

5. Have you been to Thailand? (ever) _____

6. I've seen that film. (already) _____

7. Read situations 1-6. What would you say in each one? Use the verbs in brackets and a time expression.

in (month) since April in 2024
just yet already ever

1. You meet an old friend. You can't remember when you last met.
How long is it _____? (meet)
2. You're having a tuna salad in a restaurant. You stop eating for a minute and the waiter tries to take your plate away.
Excuse me! _____! (not finish)
3. You finished your project work at 3 p.m. At 5 p.m., your boss asks why you're not doing your project.
_____. (do)
4. You've just had a cup of tea. Your flatmate asks you if you'd like a cup of tea.
No thanks, _____. (have)
5. Angie went out two minutes ago. The phone rings and someone asks for Angie.
_____. (go out)
6. You rush home to see a soccer match on TV. You want to know if you've missed the beginning.
_____? (start)

Present Perfect passive: Active or passive?

8. Choose the correct verb form.

1. The population of London has risen / has been risen by 1 ½ million since 2001.
2. Rika's just promoted / 's just been promoted to area manager of Eastern Europe.
3. The air traffic controllers have offered / have been offered more money.
4. My aunt has passed / has been passed all her exams.
5. A strike has called / has been called by the air traffic controllers.
6. How many times have you injured / have you been injured playing soccer?
7. How much money have you saved / have you been saved for a house?
8. Mike's wife has just lost / has just been lost her job.
9. My lucky brother has given / has been given free tickets to the concert.
10. I've applied / been applied for that job.

Present Perfect Continuous: Simple or Continuous?

9. Choose the correct form of the verb.

1. So that's why the children are so quiet! They've *watched* / *been watching* TV all morning!
2. How many biscuits have you *eaten* / *been eating* today?
3. He's *written* / *been writing* a novel. It was published last year.
4. Who's *eaten* / *been eating* my chocolates? There are only three left!
5. He's *written* / *been writing* a novel for three years - it's nearly finished.
6. How long have you *known* / *been knowing* Ed and Liz?



10. Complete the sentences with the Present Perfect Simple or Continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

- I _____ (try) to lose weight for the past month. I _____ (lose) five kilos so far.
- Someone _____ (move) my car keys. I _____ (look) for them for ages, but I _____ (not find) them yet.
- I _____ (work) on the computer all day and it _____ (give) me a terrible headache.
- I _____ (shop) for clothes all morning, but I _____ (not buy) anything yet.
- I _____ (listen) to you talking about astrophysics for the past five minutes, but I'm afraid I _____ (understand) a single word!
- Come and join us! We're laughing because Ben _____ (tell) us some brilliant jokes. That last one was one of the best I _____ (ever hear).

Replying with questions

11. Complete the questions with either *the Present Perfect Simple* or *Continuous*.

- A:** Hi Chris! It's good to see you again!

B: Yes. What _____ since we last met?

A: Taking more law exams.

B: Really! So how many _____ now?
- A:** My brother runs marathons.

B: How long _____?

How many _____?
- A:** Klara is a teacher.

B: How long _____ for?

How many schools _____ in?
- A:** I'm having driving lessons.

B: How long _____?

How many _____?
- A:** Anna and Ian are getting married on Saturday.

B: How many guests _____ to the wedding?

How long _____ engaged?
- A:** My girlfriend translates German novels into English.

B: How long _____?

Which German novels _____?

Correcting mistakes

12. Correct the mistakes in these sentences.

1. We've been living here since three years.
2. How long do you know our teacher?
3. The World Cup has won by Argentina three times.
4. This is the first time I eat German food.
5. How long you been working here?
6. I learn Icelandic for four years now.

Adverbs

1. Underline the TWO adverbs that can go in the sentences.

1. I'm sure I'm a good mother, but I often feel I'm doing everything *hard* / *badly* / *wrong*.
2. I love Cynthia *heavily* / *passionately* / *deeply*.
3. Come *forward* / *close* / *straight* so I can see who you are!
4. The soldiers *fought bravely* / *fine* / *hard*, and eventually captured the castle.
5. She whispered the answer *softly* / *quietly* / *peacefully* in my ear.
6. I was surprised that Andrew left so *completely* / *suddenly* / *late*.
7. I don't enjoy talking to Robert – he talks so *loud* / *fast* / *fluently*.
8. Don't panic! Relax, and try to breathe *deeply* / *fluently* / *slowly*!
9. I hate it when you drive so *fast* / *suddenly* / *slowly*!
10. It's been raining very *deeply* / *heavily* / *hard* for the last two days here.

2. Put the adverbs in the correct place in the sentence. Sometimes more than one place is possible.

1. You'll succeed if you don't work hard. (never).
You'll **never** succeed if you don't work hard.
2. Have you seen Roger? (recently)
3. I've finished my homework, but not quite. (almost)
4. I forgot her anniversary. (completely)
5. She's been crying. (definitely)
6. He wasn't injured. (fortunately, seriously)
7. You behaved yesterday. I'm ashamed of you. (very badly)
8. He earns \$35,000 a year. (only)

Noun + preposition

3. Complete the sentences with a preposition from the box.

1. There are no rules for prepositions - you just have to learn them ____ heart.
2. There's a difference ____ lend and borrow. Remember - if you lend something, it leaves you.
3. I don't think there's really an alternative ____ travelling by air sometimes.
4. There's a need for more research ____ renewable energy.
5. We've had a huge increase ____ sales this year, so well done everybody!
6. You need to improve your attitude ____ life. Be more positive!
7. Be careful what you say to Adam today - he's ____ a bad mood!
8. How much do you spend on food every week ____ average?
9. Congratulations ____ your engagement! When's the wedding?
10. The trouble ____ you is that you don't listen to anyone's advice.
11. I didn't stand on your foot ____ purpose! It was an accident!
12. I can't get access ____ my Internet bank account at the moment.

Numbers

1. Look at the numbers in the box. Write the number which is ...

- 1. a distance: _____
- 2. a phone number: _____
- 3. a ratio of the human body: _____
- 4. someone's weight: _____
- 5. a historic date: _____
- 6. a local temperature: _____
- 7. an inflation rate: _____
- 8. a London house price: _____
- 9. a football score: _____
- 10. an exam score: _____
- 11. a credit card number: _____
- 12. a flight departure time: _____

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1. Read the text and choose the correct option.

Lady Edwina Grosvenor:

The lady of prisons



Edwina Grosvenor is from one of the richest families in Britain, which owns half of London. So why **1. did she spend / has she spent** so much of her life in prisons?

Edwina's work in prisons **2. began / has begun** in Kathmandu prison in Nepal, during her gap year before university. It **3. took / has taken** her into more than 50 prisons, and she **4. 's been involved / was involved** in many charities working with prisoners.

She **5. has been always / has always been** interested in society's 'hidden people'. Her parents **6. took / have taken** her to a centre for heroin addicts when she was 14, and she remembers thinking, 'how come that person **7. took / has taken** drugs and I haven't?'

She **8. studied / has studied** sociology and criminology at university, and at 22, she paid for research **9. into / of** what people need after leaving prison. Since then she **10. did / 's done** voluntary work in some of the toughest prisons.

11. Did she ever feel / Has she ever felt in danger, knowing that many prison workers have been **12. extremely / seriously** injured at work? How does her husband, the television historian Dan Snow, feel about her going into prisons? 'Dan is pretty relaxed about it. My parents and Dan are more proud of the fact that I'm **13. actually doing / doing actually** something that I love doing.'

She **14. 's recently working / 's recently been working** on providing an alternative **15. for / to** a life of crime for people who've **16. been / gone** in prison. For the last two years, her project *Pathways* **17. is helping / has been helping** ex-prisoners to start their own businesses, giving them access **18. to / with** the money and advice they need.

Has Edwina found that some people have a negative attitude **19. for / to** a very rich lady helping poor people? 'I cannot escape the fact that I am a wealthy person and the daughter of a duke and duchess, because I am, and I'm not apologetic about that. You can be embarrassed about it or you can forget about it or you can be proud of it and **20. I've done / I've been doing** all those things. I'm now 30 and I feel more at peace with myself and I'm more confident about what I'm doing.'