

9 Unit

Lesson 2

A TRIP TO DUBAI!



Part of Dubai from the air.

A LEAD-IN ►►

Tick *Yes* / *No*:

	Yes	No
Have you ever been to Dubai?		
Do you know what an artificial snow centre is?		
Have you ever been to an artificial snow centre?		
Have you ever been to a skating rink?		

B LISTENING



It's the Easter holidays in England and Ben is visiting his friend Mark at his house. Listen to the dialogue and complete the exercises that follow:

Tick *Yes* / *No*:

	Yes	No
a. Mark has been to Bahrain		
b. He's been to Dubai		
c. He's been skiing in Dubai		
d. He bought many things		
e. He's been to many beautiful places such as Dubai		
f. Ben has been alone because his parents are away for 2 days.		

C VOCABULARY

*Use the words in the box to complete the sentences:
exhibition, artificial, luggage, financial, trip*

- Can you help me with this _____, sir? It's very heavy.
- I've just come back from a _____ to Geneva. It was great!
- Something which is not real is _____
- His father has _____ problems at the moment because he has lost his job.
- There is a toy _____ at the mall. Can we visit it, Dad?



Past Simple and Present Perfect

Study the following examples to see how we can talk about past experiences in English.

Past Simple - "Finished actions"

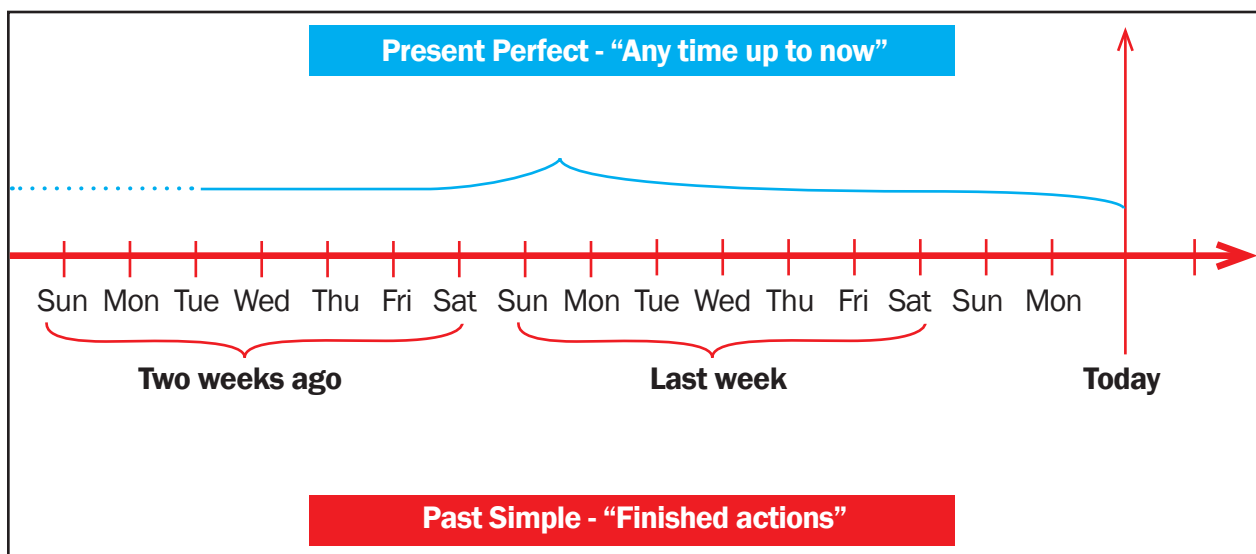
- A: **Have you ever been** on a picnic in a forest?
B: Yes, I **have**. We **went** there last Sunday and **we loved** it.
- A: **Did you do** your homework yesterday?
B: Yes, I **did**. I even **studied** for a test.
- A: **Have you ever eaten** Indian food?
B: Yes, I **have**. In fact, I **ate** some two weeks ago.
- A: **Have you seen** Mary this week?
B: No, I **haven't** but I **saw** her last week.

Present Perfect - "Any time up to now"

- A: **Have you tried** sushi?
B: No, I **haven't**, but I'd like to.
- A: Can you speak French?
B: No, I've **never studied** it.

TIMELINE

(The numbers in the timeline show when the events in the Grammar Focus happened)



D READING

Read the following article and complete the chart with the true (✓) or false (✗) questions.

Children's Art Competition in Ireland

The First Texaco Children's Art Competition ("Caltex") was organized over 50 years ago, in 1955. In 1955 there was no television and no rock and roll music. Children played with footballs, skipping ropes and other simple games. Children enjoyed using their imagination and found ways of saying what they saw and felt through drawings, paintings and other simple forms of creativity. Ireland was a quiet and peaceful agricultural nation, far away from the rest of Europe. The Caltex competition became famous immediately and brought together the children of Ireland.

Every year schools all over Ireland receive an invitation for their pupils to send in their works of art. There are several categories, depending on the children's ages. The prizes are handed out in Dublin and all the prize winners get a free trip to the capital city to attend the ceremony. Since 1955 many millions of Irish children have sent in their works. Some prize winners have become famous artists. We can say over the past 50 years children from every family in Ireland have sent in their works of art to the competition.



Bernadette Madden, now famous Irish artist, receiving her prize in 1966.



Adapted from:
www.texacochildrensart.com

	True	False
1. The Caltex competition began in 1995.		
2. The prize-winners go to London to receive the prizes.		
3. Since the competition began many millions of children have sent in their artworks.		
4. Each year, there is only one prize.		
5. Some children have become famous artists.		

E WRITING



Your pen friend has suggested exchanging your travel experiences. Write a letter to him/her talking about them. Talk about the places you have visited in your country (or abroad) so far, when you went there and what you saw:

Dear

I think your idea is terrific. So let me tell you where I've travelled so far. I've been to many places. I've been to.

Last year I went to

What about you?

Love,



Learning strategies

WRITING

- When I write a sentence, I always think about the person who will read it
- What exactly do I want to say?

F GAME: HAVE YOU EVER?



Each pupil gives the teacher 2 written questions they want to ask their classmates, to see who has done what. The questions must relate to good actions in your families and neighbourhood.

Examples:

- Have you ever helped someone who doesn't know Greek to understand street names?
- Have you ever helped clean up litter on a beach?
- Have you ever written to your local authorities about a problem in your neighbourhood?
- Have you ever written to a government official outside your local authorities?
- Have you ever helped your brother and sisters with their homework?
- Have you ever helped your parents with their housework?

Add to this list. The class must try to come up with at least 15 questions. The pupil who has done the most things wins. He/she will be the **Model Citizen of the Class!**