

2A GRAMMAR present perfect and simple past

a Circle the correct verb.

Mike So, where should we go for our honeymoon?

Gina I don't know. Maybe somewhere in North Africa. Have you ever **been** / **gone** to Morocco?

Mike Yes, **I've been** / **I went** there.

Gina I didn't know that. When **have you been** / **did you go** there?

Mike The year after I **have graduated** / **graduated** from college.

Gina What about Egypt?

Mike **I've been** / **I went** there, too.

Gina Who **have you been** / **did you go** with?

Mike With an ex-girlfriend. But we only **have been** / **went** to Cairo. Let's go there.

Gina No, let's go somewhere else.



b Complete the dialogues with the correct form of the verbs in parentheses: simple past or present perfect. Use contractions where possible.

1 **A** How long ¹ *have you been* (you / be) married, Glenn?

B Twenty-two years! Maxine and I ² _____ (have) our wedding anniversary three weeks ago.

A Where ³ _____ (you / meet)? In college?

B No, it ⁴ _____ (be) long before that. Actually, we ⁵ _____ (go) to the same elementary school. We ⁶ _____ (know) each other for a long time. What about you?

A I'm divorced. I ⁷ _____ (get) divorced a year ago.

B How long ⁸ _____ (you / be) married?

A Just a couple of years.

B So, you're on your own now?

A Yes, but I ⁹ _____ (just / meet) someone new and I really like her.



2 **A** ¹ _____ (you / teach) English abroad before, Ms. Jenkins?

B Yes, I ² _____ (teach) from 2009-2011 in Bolivia, and I ³ _____ (just / come) back from a four-month job in Columbia.

A How long ⁴ _____ (you / be) a language teacher?

B Exactly six years. Before that I ⁵ _____ (be) an elementary school teacher.

A Do you have any post-graduate qualifications?

B I ⁶ _____ (start) an MA in Linguistics with the Open University last year, but I ⁷ _____ (not finish) it yet.



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c Practice the dialogues in a and b with a partner.