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B1 EXPERIENCES

When we speak about personal experiences, we usually use the present perfect or present perfect continuous:

Subject + have + past participle

e.g. I have eaten lunch today

- *We use the present perfect simple to talk about actions that happened in the past but no time is mentioned or if we are still inside the time period (today, this week, this month, this year, recently).*
- *We also use the present perfect to talk about experiences when the time is not important (in my life)*

Focus on the word order of the following adverbs:

- ALREADY (ya) – I have **already** finished my homework.
- YET (ya) – Have you seen that movie **yet**?
- YET (aún) – I haven't had breakfast **yet** this morning.
- STILL (aún) – I **still** haven't set off for work.
- JUST (acabar de) – I have **just** arrived home from work.
- EVER (alguna vez) – Have you **ever** been to Japan?
- FOR (durante) – I have studied English **for** 4 years.
- SINCE (desde) – I have lived in Spain **since** 7 years ago/2010.

Present perfect continuous:

- *We use the present perfect continuous to talk about actions that started in the past but continue.*

Subject + have + been + gerund

e.g. I have been working in this job

Practise these tenses with questions:

1. Have you ever tried a food that you thought was disgusting?
2. Have you ever been travelling alone?
3. Have you ever worked in a job that you hated?
4. Have you ever tried to learn a language by yourself?
5. How many times have you been abroad?
6. Have you lived in more than one place in your life?
7. Have you managed to make close friends?
8. Have you ever failed an exam?
9. What would you say is the greatest thing you have ever achieved?
10. Have you had the opportunity to visit the rainforest?
11. Have you ever climbed a mountain?
12. Have you tried an adventure sport like caving, kayaking or rock climbing?
13. Have you ever seen a lightning storm?
14. Have you ever been to the desert?
15. Which is the strangest animal that you have ever seen?