

## Present Perfect and changes

### Market Leader Intermediate Unit 4

*From memory or your grammar knowledge, put these questions into the correct tense.*

- Why \_\_\_\_\_ (you choose) this job?
- How long \_\_\_\_\_ (you be) in Tokyo?
- Is Tokyo the only place \_\_\_\_\_ (you live)?
- What \_\_\_\_\_ (you do) last weekend?
- \_\_\_\_\_ (you visit) many foreign countries?
- \_\_\_\_\_ (you travel) much? (What \_\_\_\_\_ (be) your favourite place?)
- \_\_\_\_\_ (you ever have) any problems while you were travelling? (What \_\_\_\_\_ (happen)?)
- \_\_\_\_\_ (you go) to any English speaking countries?

*Check your answers on the last worksheet or with your teacher.*

*What are the two tenses above called? Why do they have those names?*

*What are the differences between them?*

*Which of the two tenses are the following things true for?*

- Used with “since” and “for”
- Also possible with “for”, but “ago” is much more common. Cannot be used with “since”.
- Used to ask questions about experience (or lack of experience), so often a first question
- Used to ask for details about an experience, so often a follow up question.
- Used with unfinished periods of time, e.g. this week/ month/ year and in the last week/ month/ year
- Used with finished periods of time, e.g. last week/ month/ year
- Used when there is some connection to the present
- Used when there is no connection to the present
- The most common tense with “yet”, “already” and “just” in British English
- The most common tense with “yet”, “already” and “just” in American English.

*Ask your partner questions about the topics below:*

- This week
- Last week
- Today
- Yesterday
- Using English at work
- Business trips

## Present Perfect/ Simple Past mini-presentations game

Choose one of the topics below and talk about it for as long as you can. Your partner won't interrupt you, but they will ask you one or two questions about what you said when you finish speaking. Talk about the past and/ or present, but not the future.

### Useful phrases

I'm going to/ I'd like to talk about/ speak about...

That's all I can think of to say/ I think that covers everything

- My first job
- My previous job
- A famous entrepreneur
- This week/ month/ year at work
- Last week/ month/ year at work
- My first day in this job
- My to-do list
- My email inbox
- Connections (or lack of connections) between my studies and work
- History of this company
- This company this year and last year
- My job this year and last year
- Changes in prices
- Changes in the economy
- Changes in my finances
- Changes in management
- Changes in my job
- Changes in this company

*What kinds of changes do companies often go through?*

*Brainstorm vocabulary about changes starting with these prefixes:*

down-

de-

up-

re-

*Has your company gone through any of those changes? What was the experience like for everyone involved? Do you think those changes were a good idea?*

*What about these changes?*

Hot-desking

Teleconferences replacing business trips

Flexitime

Telecommuting

Changing to an open-plan office