

### House and home experiences Present Perfect and Past Simple

Ask about one experience connected to house and home, perhaps with the verbs and/ or nouns on the next page. If your partner has had the experience, they'll explain it in as much detail as they can. Listen, then ask extra questions to find out more information. If they say "No" to the first question, ask about other topics until you get a positive answer. If you are scoring, you get a point for each follow-up question that your partner can answer, but lose one point each time that they haven't had the experience which you asked about.

#### Suggested initial questions about experiences

- Have you ever...?
- Have you... recently?
- Have you... this year/ this...?
- Have you... in the last twelve months/ in the last few years/ in the last... (s)?

#### Useful follow-up questions about experiences

- Did...?
- How was it?/ How was the experience?
- How did you...?
- How far...?
- How long...?
- How many/ many...?
- How much did it cost?
- How big...?
- How...?
- Was that easy?
- Was...?
- Were...?
- What was it like?
- What was it made from?
- What kind of...?/ What sort of...?
- What colour...?
- What shape...?
- What...?
- Where...?
- Which...?
- Who... (with)?
- Whose...?
- Why (didn't)...?

When your teacher stops you, ask about anything on the next page you couldn't understand or couldn't speak about, answering related questions each time.

### Present Perfect and Past Simple grammar presentation

Try to answer these questions, first of all without looking above then looking above:

- What tense are first questions to ask about experiences (usually) in?
- What tense are follow-up questions asking for more details (usually) in?
- Why are those two tenses (usually) used in those ways?
- What are the differences in meaning and use between those two tenses?

verbs	nouns	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ bid for</li> <li>➤ break/ damage</li> <li>➤ buy/ purchase</li> <li>➤ change</li> <li>➤ clean/ wash</li> <li>➤ clear out</li> <li>➤ consider</li> <li>➤ construct/ make</li> <li>➤ cover</li> <li>➤ (re)decorate</li> <li>➤ discuss</li> <li>➤ do</li> <li>➤ do without</li> <li>➤ empty</li> <li>➤ fix/ mend/ repair</li> <li>➤ get rid of</li> <li>➤ give away</li> <li>➤ go for</li> <li>➤ grow</li> <li>➤ hang</li> <li>➤ have (problems with)</li> <li>➤ have something done</li> <li>➤ hire</li> <li>➤ inherit</li> <li>➤ look at</li> <li>➤ move</li> <li>➤ paint</li> <li>➤ pay for/ someone to</li> <li>➤ plant</li> <li>➤ put together</li> <li>➤ put up</li> <li>➤ recycle</li> <li>➤ renovate</li> <li>➤ replace</li> <li>➤ reuse</li> <li>➤ see</li> <li>➤ sell</li> <li>➤ shop</li> <li>➤ study</li> <li>➤ think about</li> <li>➤ throw away</li> <li>➤ (re)use</li> <li>➤ want</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● air purifier</li> <li>● antique</li> <li>● attic/ loft</li> <li>● balcony</li> <li>● basement</li> <li>● bathtub</li> <li>● bedding</li> <li>● bin/ trash can</li> <li>● blinds</li> <li>● bread maker</li> <li>● calligraphy</li> <li>● carpenter</li> <li>● carpet</li> <li>● CD player/ stereo</li> <li>● ceiling</li> <li>● cellar</li> <li>● chest</li> <li>● clutter</li> <li>● (bold/ bright) colour</li> <li>● corridor/ hall</li> <li>● cupboard/ wardrobe/ closet</li> <li>● (net/ velvet) curtains</li> <li>● (scatter) cushion</li> <li>● dining room</li> <li>● display cabinet</li> <li>● (front) door</li> <li>● doormat</li> <li>● (chest of) drawers</li> <li>● drill</li> <li>● fan</li> <li>● fire/ heater</li> <li>● floor</li> <li>● flower arrangement</li> <li>● flowery</li> <li>● fridge/ freezer</li> <li>● furnishings</li> <li>● furniture</li> <li>● garage</li> <li>● glass</li> <li>● handicrafts</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● hanging scroll</li> <li>● (terraced/ three-storey) house</li> <li>● humidifier</li> <li>● Ikea</li> <li>● intercom</li> <li>● interior decorator</li> <li>● kettle</li> <li>● knob/ handle</li> <li>● lamp</li> <li>● (LED) light (bulb)/ lighting</li> <li>● living room</li> <li>● (reed) mat/ rug</li> <li>● mattress</li> <li>● medium-sized</li> <li>● microwave (oven)</li> <li>● ornament/ souvenir</li> <li>● oven/ (oven) toaster</li> <li>● painting/ picture</li> <li>● (pot) plant</li> <li>● pottery/ vase</li> <li>● quilt</li> <li>● rice cooker</li> <li>● sculpture</li> <li>● shutter</li> <li>● (folding/ sliding) screen</li> <li>● socket/ (electrical) outlet</li> <li>● (heated/ folding) table</li> <li>● tap/ faucet</li> <li>● three-piece suite</li> <li>● tile</li> <li>● toilet</li> <li>● utility room</li> <li>● (robot) vacuum cleaner</li> <li>● wall</li> <li>● wallpaper</li> <li>● washbasin/ bathroom sink</li> <li>● waxed paper screen</li> <li>● white goods</li> <li>● (dark) wood</li> </ul>