

When to use the present perfect simple – top six tips

Context	Example
Expresses duration from past until now (frequently used with for/since).	I have lived in Hondelange, Belgium, for 2.5 years.
Something that has happened recently.	I have just been to the bank.
When the time is not specified.	I have visited New York.
When something took place over an unfinished time period.	I haven't seen him this week.
To describe multiple events, achievements over an unfinished career/period.	She has written six books over her career.
To focus on a completed activity with a consequence for now.	I have finished the report, what do you think?