

Have you ever . . . ?

Aims

Practice asking and answering questions with present perfect and simple past.

Language focus

Grammar

Present perfect; present perfect vs. simple past

Set-up

Class activity or group work

Lesson link

For use after Unit 4, Lesson C

Time

20 minutes

Preparation

Duplicate the worksheet and mount each sheet on a piece of construction paper. Cut apart the cards. Make enough for each student to have one card.

Group work: If the class is too large for a whole class activity, divide the class into groups of six to eight students. If possible, assign each group an area of the classroom. Have them move around, asking and answering questions.

4. As students are working, walk around to monitor the activity and help as needed. Make note of any errors or problems to review later.
5. End the activity promptly after 20 minutes. Have a few students share the answers they heard with the class.
6. **Option:** Do the activity as a Bingo game. The first student to get three yes answers with details in a row, horizontally, vertically, or diagonally, wins the game.

Procedure

1. Distribute cards. Tell students they are going to ask each other *Have you ever . . . ?* questions about the experiences on the cards. When someone answers *Yes, I have*, students write that person's name in the square. They should also ask a follow-up question in the simple past and write down the details they hear.
2. Model the activity. Point to the upper-left answer in the first card (*live in another country*). Ask a few students: *Have you ever lived in another country?* If a student answers yes, ask a follow-up question. For example: *What country did you live in? When did you live there? What was it like?* (If no students have lived in a foreign country, have them ask you the question. Give an appropriate answer.)
3. **Class activity:** Have students get up and walk around the room, asking and answering *Have you ever . . . ?* questions.

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Have you ever . . . ?		
live in another country Name and notes:	meet a famous person Name and notes:	lose your wallet Name and notes:
be in a blackout Name and notes:	try an exotic food Name and notes:	wear flip-flops to work or school Name and notes:
get sick from food Name and notes:	study all night for a test Name and notes:	fall asleep at work or school Name and notes:

Have you ever . . . ?		
get seasick Name and notes:	be on TV Name and notes:	find someone's wallet Name and notes:
try an extreme sport Name and notes:	eat in a fancy restaurant Name and notes:	wear jeans on a first date Name and notes:
win a contest Name and notes:	fail a driving test Name and notes:	fall asleep on the bus or train Name and notes: