



Present Perfect or Past Simple 2

Choose the present perfect or the past simple. Use short forms where possible.

1. I _____ (see) three police cars this morning (it's still morning).
2. After he _____ (arrive) home, he _____ (unpack) and _____ (go) to bed early.
3. A: What's wrong? B: I _____ (break) a glass!
4. My grandparents only _____ (know) each other for a few months before they _____ (get) married.
5. I _____ (lose) my phone at the beach last summer.
6. We _____ (see) Julie last night.
7. He _____ (be) a teacher before he _____ (become) a musician.
8. When the boss _____ (walk) into the room, we _____ (know) someone was going to get fired.
9. The children _____ (break) a window in the school last week.
10. He _____ (see) that film last year.
11. Lucy _____ (break) her leg, so she can't come skiing.
12. Julie _____ (arrive)! Come and say hello!
13. Yesterday I _____ (wake up) late and then I _____ (miss) the train.
14. Jack _____ (break) his arm when he _____ (fall) off a horse in 2005.
15. I _____ (know) about the problem for months, but I _____ (not / find) a solution yet.
16. A: When _____ (you / arrive)? B: At 10pm last night.
17. She _____ (be) a teacher for ten years, and she still enjoys it.
18. How long _____ (you / know) Jill? I know you see her often.
19. I _____ (see) the sea before.
20. A: Hello? B: Hi Mum, it's me. I just wanted to say I _____ (arrive) safely and everything is fine.



Answers

1. I've seen three police cars this morning.
2. After he arrived home, he unpacked and went to bed early.
3. A: What's wrong? B: I've broken a glass!
4. My grandparents only knew each other for a few months before they got married.
5. I lost my phone at the beach last summer.
6. We saw Julie last night.
7. He was a teacher before he became a musician.
8. When the boss walked into the room, we knew someone was going to get fired.
9. The children broke a window in the school last week.
10. He saw that film last year.
11. Lucy's broken her leg, so she can't come skiing.
12. Julie's arrived! Come and say hello!
13. Yesterday I woke up late and then I missed the train.
14. Jack broke his arm when he fell off a horse in 2005.
15. I've known about the problem for months, but I haven't found a solution yet.
16. A: When did you arrive? B: At 10pm last night.
17. She's been a teacher for ten years, and she still enjoys it.
18. How long have you known Jill? I know you see her often.
19. I've never seen the sea before.
20. A: Hello? B: Hi Mum, it's me. I just wanted to say I've arrived safely and everything is fine.