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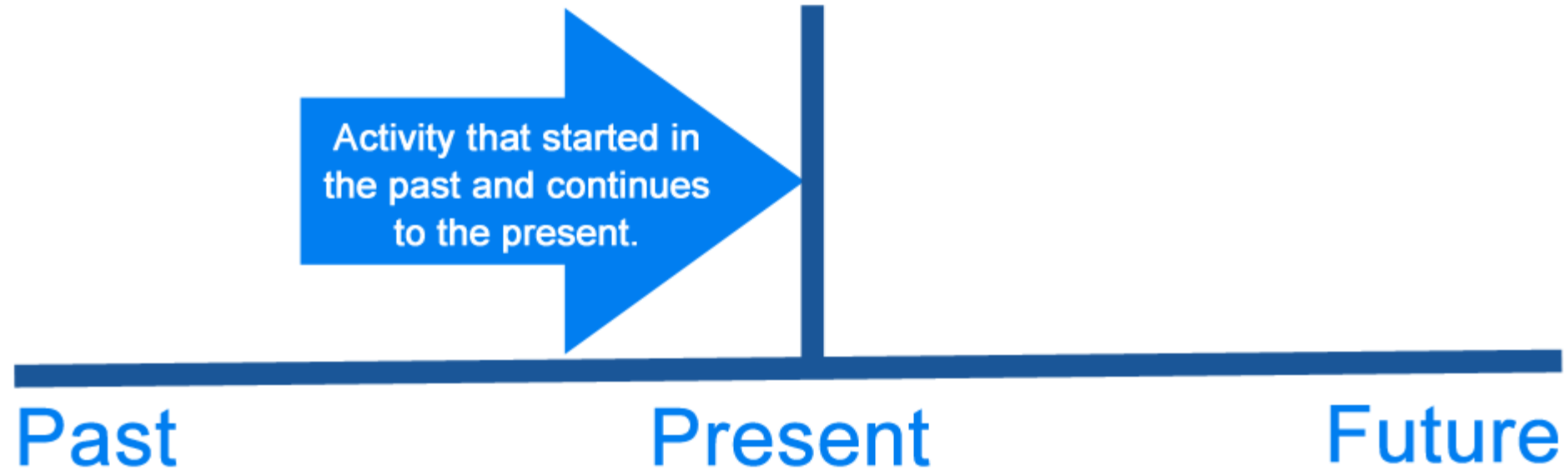
Present Perfect

What is the present perfect?

- ✓ The present perfect tense refers to an action or state that either occurred at an indefinite time in the past (e.g., we have talked before) or began in the past and continued to the present time (e.g., he has grown impatient over the last hour).
- ✓ This tense is formed by have/has + the past participle.
- ✓ The construction of this verb tense is straightforward.
- ✓ The first element is have or has, depending on the subject the verb is conjugated with.
- ✓ The second element is the past participle of the verb, which is usually formed by adding -ed or -d to the verb's root (e.g., walked, cleaned, typed, perambulated, jumped, laughed, sautéed) although English does have quite a few verbs that have irregular past participles (e.g., done, said, gone, known, won, thought, felt, eaten).

Present Perfect Tense

Has/Have + Past Participle



PRESENT PERFECT TENSE

POSITIVE FORM

Sbj + has/have + V3

He She It	+	has	+	started
I You We You They	+	have	+	started



Ex: I have done it.
Ex: He has done it.

NEGATIVE FORM

Sbj + has/have NOT + V3

He She It	+	<u>has not</u> hasn't	+	started
I You We You They	+	<u>have not</u> haven't	+	started



Ex: I have not (haven't) done it.
Ex: He has not (hasn't) done it.

QUESTION FORM

Has/Have + Sbj + V3

Has	+	He She It	+	started
Have	+	I You We You They	+	started



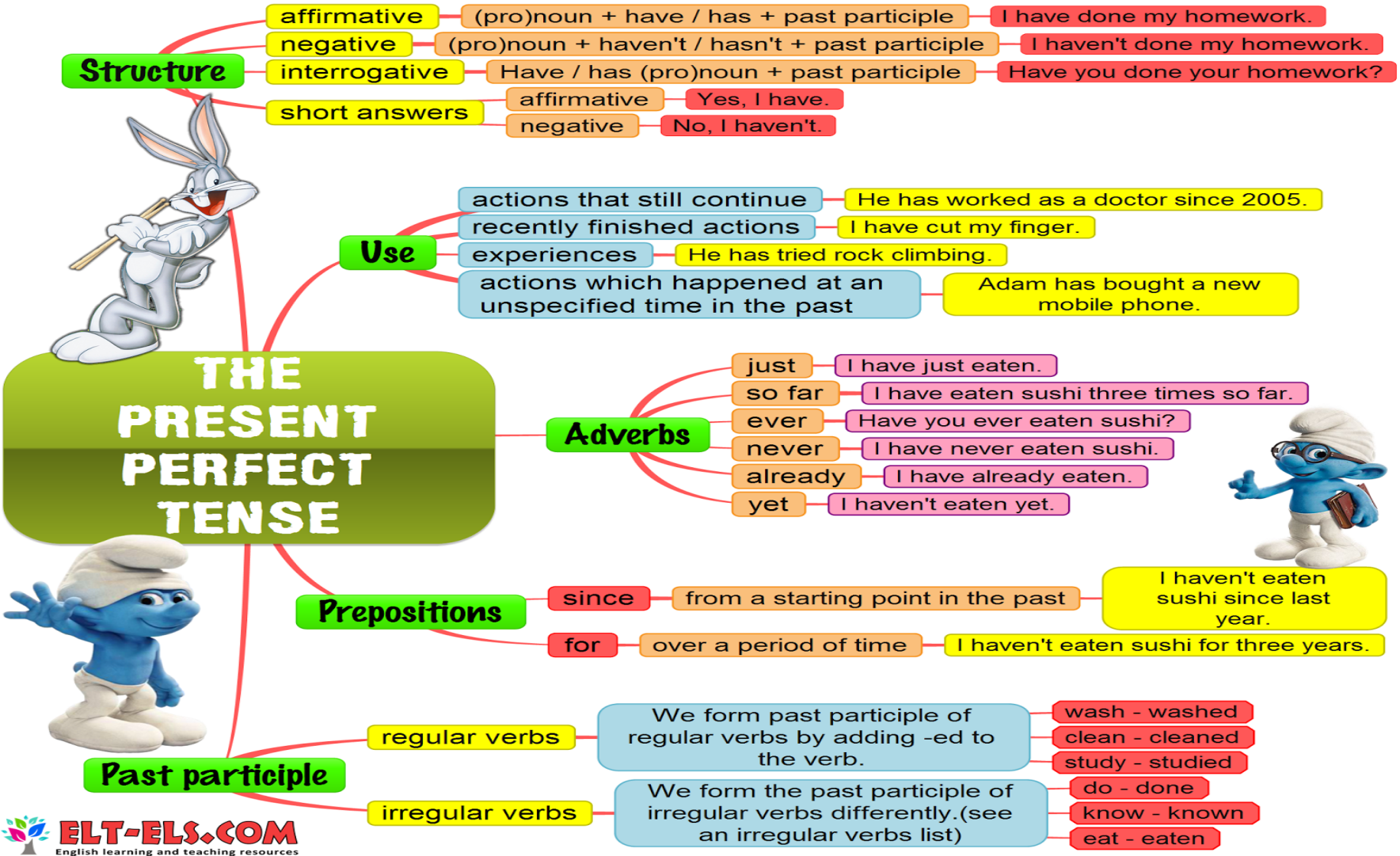
Ex: You have done it.
Ex: She has done it.



Have you done it?
Has she done it?

Examples:

- Have you been to Mexico in the last year?
- I have seen that movie six times in the last month.
- They have had three tests in the last week.
- She graduated from university less than three years ago.
She has worked for three different companies so far.
- My car has broken down three times this week.

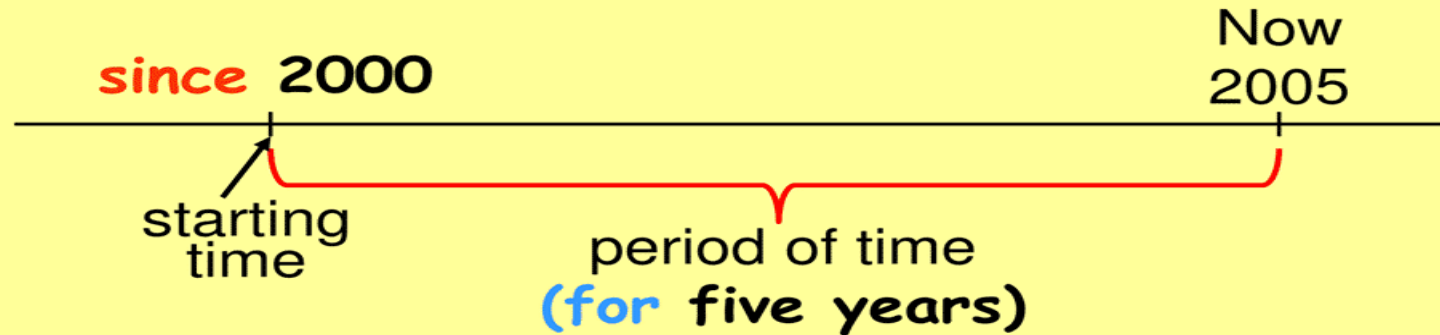


Present perfect tense

For

We use **for** with the present perfect tense to refer to a **period of time**.

I **have studied** at this school **for five years**.



('Five years' is a period of time, not a point of time.)

Present perfect tense

We use the present perfect tense with **since** and **for** to say how long an action has lasted.

I **have played** the piano **since** 2000.

I **have played** the piano **for** five years.

once / twice

In the Present Perfect tense, we use **once** / **twice** to **express frequency**.

How many time have you **given** flowers to the pop star ? (question)

I've **given** flowers to a pop star **once only**.

'once' goes at the END of the sentence.

or I've **given** flowers to a pop star **only once**.

Present Perfect Continuous Tense

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S + have/has + been + V-ing

They have been learning English for 2 years.

-

S + have/has + not + been + V-ing

They have not been learning English for 2 years.

?

Have/has + S + been + V-ing

Have they been learning English for 2 years?

Usage

Express long actions that started in the past and continue until now

Express recent actions that have clear evidence or results now

Typically used for shorter, more temporary situations

Example

I've been living in Ireland for almost 4 years.

Her eyes are red because she's been crying all evening.

Have they been learning English this week?

Present Perfect Continuous Forms

The present perfect continuous is formed using ***has/have + been + present participle***. Questions are indicated by inverting the subject and *has/have*. Negatives are made with *not*.

- **Statement:** You **have been waiting** here for two hours.
- **Question:** **Have** you **been waiting** here for two hours?
- **Negative:** You **have not been waiting** here for two hours.

Thank you