

## EXERCISES

Present perfect simple – Uses with *ever, never, recently, today...*

### UNIT 26

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#### 26.1 Tick (✓) the sentence (a or b) that has the same meaning as the first one.

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| 1 Jess and Tanya are in New Zealand at the moment.             | a <input type="checkbox"/> Jess and Tanya have been to New Zealand.                  |
|  | b <input type="checkbox"/> Jess and Tanya have gone to New Zealand.                  |
| 2 Sandy isn't here because she's looking at a new flat today.  | a <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy has been to look at a new flat.                     |
|  | b <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy has gone to look at a new flat.                     |
| 3 Jason doesn't live here now; he moved to America last month. | a <input type="checkbox"/> Jason has gone to America.                                |
|  | b <input type="checkbox"/> Jason has been to America.                                |
| 4 The estate agent has been here to value our property.        | a <input type="checkbox"/> The estate agent came to our property to value it.        |
|  | b <input type="checkbox"/> The estate agent is valuing our property at the moment.   |
| 5 Mum and Dad have gone house-hunting.                         | a <input type="checkbox"/> Mum and Dad are out looking for houses.                   |
|  | b <input type="checkbox"/> Mum and Dad went to look at houses and are back home now. |
| 6 Eric has gone to find out about mortgages.                   | a <input type="checkbox"/> Eric is talking to someone about mortgages at the moment. |
|  | b <input type="checkbox"/> Eric talked to someone about mortgages some time ago.     |

#### 26.2 Complete the sentences with *ever* or *never*.

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| 1 Have you ..... thought about moving into your own place? | 5 There's ..... been a better time to buy your own house. Prices are very low now. |
| 2 I've ..... seen such an amazing villa!                   | 6 Has your mum ..... had the house valued?   |
| 3 That's the smallest bedsit I've ..... seen!              | 7 They've ..... bothered to do anything to the garden.                             |
| 4 Robert and Vicky have ..... shared a flat before.        | 8 Ruth's ..... decorated the kitchen.  |

#### 26.3 Rearrange the words and write the sentences.

- never – Sally's – before – her – own – on – lived  
.....
- a – Leo and Bob – never – in – youth hostel – stayed – have
- You – attic – looked – in – the – ever – Have – ?
- her – invited – Has – ever – you – to – house – Nigella – ?
- Iris – afford – been – to – never – has – a – mortgage – able
- never – landlord – my – put up – The – has – rent
- you – who – wondered – Have – ever – mansion – lives – in – that – ?
- the – Jeremy – used – never – central heating – has

#### 26.4 Complete the dialogue with the words and expressions in the box.

ever   never   I've never   you ever done   I have   ~~have you ever~~

**Gordon:** Hey, Ken, <sup>(1)</sup>..... considered sharing a flat?

**Ken:** Hmm – not really. Have <sup>(2)</sup>..... it?

**Gordon:** Yes, <sup>(3)</sup>..... . I shared with two guys when I was at college in Oxford.

**Ken:** How was it?

**Gordon:** Well, <sup>(4)</sup>..... met two guys who were more untidy – that's for sure!

**Ken:** I can imagine! How did you share things like the cooking?

**Gordon:** I've <sup>(5)</sup>..... worked out a good system for things like that, to be honest.

**Ken:** So, did that put you off sharing or have you <sup>(6)</sup>..... thought of doing it again?

**Gordon:** No, it hasn't put me off. In fact, if you're interested. I'm looking for someone to share with next term!

Teacher's observations