Simple past

I went to school yesterday.

Clues: yesterday, last (week, month…), ago, in (past year 2020), people in the past

Form: V2 of the verb

Go--- went/ speak---spoke/ meet---met/ eat---ate

+ I ate snacks yesterday.

-I didn’t eat snacks yesterday. (didn’t+ infinitive)

? Did you eat snacks yesterday? (did+ subject+ infinitive)

Present perfect

e.g. I have known Salma for 15 years.

Clues (never, ever, yet, for, since, just, already, still, up until now)

Form:

Have (I, we, you, they) + V3 (past participle)

Has (He, She, It) + V3 (past participle)

+ Have (I, we, you, they) + V3 (past participle)

Has (He, She, It) + V3 (past participle)

- Have not (I, we, you, they) + V3 (past participle)

Has not (He, She, It) + V3 (past participle)

? Have you been……?

? has she gone………???

Present Perfect Continuous

Form:

(I, we, you, they) Have+ been+ ing

(He, She, It) Has+ been+ ing

e.g. They have been picking olives for the past three days.

+ Have (I, we, you, they)+been+ ing

+Has (He, She, It) + been+ ing

- Have not (I, we, you, they) + been+ ing

- Has not (He, She, It) + been+ ing

? Have you been reading……?

? Has she been talking………???

Use present perfect, present perfect continuous or simple past:

1. I –---didn't call-------- him yesterday. (not call)
2. I –---called-------- him yesterday. (call)
3. She ---has ------ never---- been------to Egypt. (be)
4. I –--have been living/ have lived----- in Palestine for 20 years. (live)
5. I-----have lived---------- in Palestine for 20 years. I live in the United States now. (live)
6. I-----have been living---------- in Palestine for 20 years. I’m still living there! It’s my favorite place on earth.
7. I ----met -------- her a few years ago. (meet)
8. They ----have been trying--------to put the baby to sleep for the past hour, but he is still crying. (try)
9. --- Did---------- you----shut ------ the door yesterday? (shut)
10. ----Has ------- she---- phoned------- her mother yet? (phone)
11. Ali----hasn't slept ------- yet. He is still on his phone. (not sleep)
12. He –-has been planting---- new trees, but he still hasn't finished. (plant)
13. He—-has planted------ 500 new trees. (plant)
14. When--did ---Jethro Tull-- invent --- the seed drill? (invent)