

## Present Perfect Time Expressions

### Activity Type

Reading, writing and speaking activity

### Language Focus

Present perfect time expressions

### Aim

To make present perfect sentences and questions with time expressions.

### Preparation

Make one copy of the cards and cut as indicated.

### Level

Pre-intermediate

### Time

35 minutes

### Introduction

In this engaging teaching activity, students play a game where they race to make present perfect sentences and questions with time expressions.

### Procedure

Tell the students that they are going to play a game where they race to make sentences and questions with time expressions that are associated with the present perfect tense.

Divide the class into two teams (A and B).

Invite one student from each team to come to the front of the class.

Pick a card and show the two students the time expression on the card.

The two students then race to make a present perfect sentence or question using the time expression.

The first student to do this successfully wins a point for their team.

If a student makes a grammar mistake, they are out.

If both students cannot make an appropriate present perfect sentence or question, they are both out.

After that, two new students come up to the front of the class and so on.

This continues until all the cards have been used correctly.

The team with the most points at the end of the game wins.

Afterwards, write the time expressions on the board.

The students then write down a present perfect sentence or question for each time expression.

Next, divide the students into pairs and have them check each other's work and suggest improvements or corrections.

Finally, go through the time expressions and the students' work as a class and give feedback.

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twice

for

never

lately

once

 in the last  
month

yet

already

just

up to now

since

three times

so far

this month

 in the  
last year

at last

in the last week

recently

this week

ever