

# Unit 7



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## Have You Ever?



### New Language 2.2



Which of the following experiences have you had? Discuss with a partner.



A: Have you ever been to a circus?

B: Yes, I have. When I was a kid.

## Experiences



A: Have you ever been to an amusement park?

B: No, never.





A: Have you ever eaten an unusual food?

B: No, I haven't. Have you?

A: Yes. I ate grasshoppers in Mexico.



A: Have you ever ridden a horse?

B: Yes, I have. I went horseback riding when I visited a ranch last year.



I've never gone skydiving. I'm too scared.  
**Jennifer**



I went camping in Canada last year.  
**Daniel**



I've seen a whale. I saw one in the sea when I was in Patagonia, Argentina.  
**Sandra**



I've gone sailing once. I went sailing during my vacation in Malaysia.  
**Jacob**

## Language Check

Answer *true* or *false*.

1. True Jennifer is too scared to go skydiving.
2. False Daniel went camping in Argentina.
3. False Sandra has never seen a whale.
4. True Jacob went on vacation to Malaysia.

## Pronunciation 2.3

Listen and repeat. The verb *have* is often reduced in present perfect questions and statements, but not in short answers.

**Have** you ever been to Colorado?

I **have** been to the Grand Canyon.

**Have** you ever eaten grasshoppers?

Yes, I **have**.

## Practice 2.4

Ask and answer.

1. A: Have you ever eaten alligator?  
B: Yes, I have. I had it when I was in Australia.
2. A: Have you ever gone sailing?  
B: No, I haven't. Actually I've never been on a boat.



# Conversation 2.5



**Samir:** Have you ever eaten octopus?

**Carol:** No, I haven't. What does it taste like?

**Samir:** Well, it's kind of rubbery, but it's delicious, especially with paprika. It's very popular in Mediterranean countries.

**Carol:** Have you eaten sushi?

**Samir:** Yeah. It's one of my favorite foods.

**Carol:** You like raw fish and rice? Ugh!

**Samir:** Try it sometime. And have you tried Mexican food?

It's very popular here in the U.S.

**Carol:** No, I haven't. I don't like spicy food. I prefer plain food like steak and mashed potatoes, corn on the cob, and other foods like that.



## About the Conversation

1. Has Samir ever eaten octopus? 1. Yes, he has.
2. What does Carol think about sushi? 2. She doesn't like sushi.
3. Does Carol like Mexican food? Why, or why not? 3. No, she doesn't because she doesn't like spicy food.
4. What kind of food does she like? 4. She likes plain food.

## Listening 2.6

Listen to the people talking about their experiences, and complete the sentences.

1. Linda has never been skydiving or bungee jumping because  
She doesn't like to be in high places

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2. White-water rafting was the most thrilling experience that Ray  
Ever had

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3. Mr. Wilson thinks that Rio at carnival time was the  
The most exciting place

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4. Mrs. Baker's best experience was when  
Her first baby was born

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# Grammar

## Present Perfect

The present perfect is made up of the verb *have* and a past participle. Use the present perfect to refer to an indefinite time in the past. In contrast, use the simple past tense to indicate a specific time in the past.

### Present Perfect

I **’ve been** to Canada.

I **’ve visited** Canada.

### Simple Past

I **was** in Canada last year.

I **visited** Canada last year.

### Affirmative

I		(I’ve)		been to Canada.
You	have	(You’ve)		
We		(We’ve)		
They		(They’ve)		
He	has	(He’s)		
She		(She’s)		

### Negative

I				been to Canada.
You	haven’t			
We				
They				
He	hasn’t			
She				

For regular verbs, the past participle ends in *-ed*. Here are some irregular past participle forms. be—**been**, come—**come**, do—**done**, eat—**eaten**, have—**had**, hear—**heard**, go—**gone**, meet—**met**, ride—**ridden**, see—**seen**, swim—**swum**, take—**taken**, wear—**worn**

**Note:** See a list of irregular past participles at the back of the book.

### Question

Have you/we/they		been to Canada?
Has he/she		

### Short Answer

Yes, I/we/they		have.
he/she		

### Short Answer

No, I/we/they		haven’t.
he/she		

### Adverb: ever

*Ever* means “at any time.” It is often used in questions in the present perfect.

**A:** Have you **ever** been to Canada?

**B:** Yes, I have. / No, I haven’t; No, never; I’ve never been to Canada.

**A** Choose the correct form of the verb.

1. My parents (went / **have gone**) to Japan in 2000.
2. I've never (**swam** / swum) in a river.
3. Have you ever (**ate** / eaten) goat?
4. This is the prettiest song I (**heard** / have heard) in all my life.
5. The food was delicious. I (ate / **eaten**) too much!
6. We (saw / **have seen**) an octopus when we visited the aquarium.
7. When did your cousin (arrive / **has arrived**) from Asia?
8. The circus (**came** / has come) to our town many times and will come again this year.

**B** Make questions to match the pictures.



1. you / meet / Yu Chen?



2. you / ever / eat / our special dish?

1. Have you met Yu Chen?

2. Have you ever eaten our special dish?

3. Has anyone seen my glasses?

4. Has Mary put on makeup?



3. anyone / see / my glasses?



4. Mary / put on / makeup?



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Ask and answer.

1. Have you ever eaten sushi? *Answers will vary.*

A: Have you ever seen a gorilla?

2. Have you ever seen a shark? *Answers will vary.*

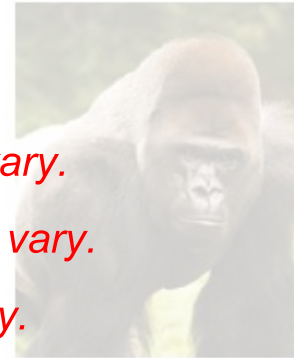
B: No, I haven't. / Yes, I have. I saw one at the zoo.

3. Have you ever tried corn? *Answers will vary.*

4. Have you ever ridden a horse? *Answers will vary.*

5. Have you ever gone skiing? *Answers will vary.*

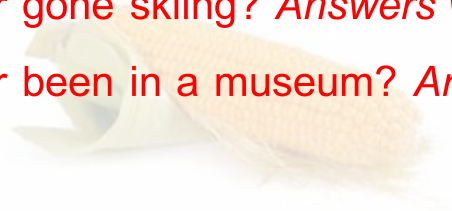
6. Have you ever been in a museum? *Answers will vary.*



see



1. eat



3. try



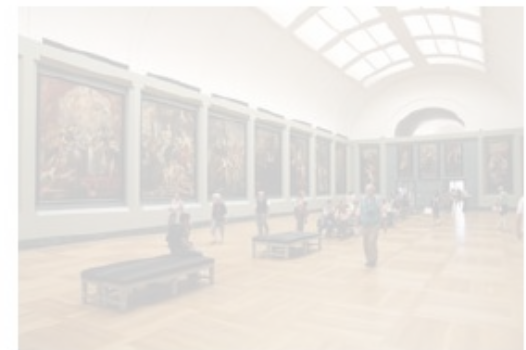
5. go



2. see



4. ride



6. be

# Speaking

Discuss with a partner. Have you ever:

1. visited another country? When did you visit it?
2. gone to a rock concert? Where was it?
3. been to a car race? When was it?
4. seen a wild animal? What?
5. eaten unusual food? What?
6. gone snorkeling? Where?



What do you know about the desert?

## *Under the Stars in the Sahara*

One of the greatest experiences I've ever had was in Morocco. It was a trip to the desert. A group of us set off from Marrakesh in a minibus and headed to Merzuga, a tiny town on the edge of the Sahara Desert. The countryside on the way was very unusual. There were dry gray cliffs, and below them were lots of green palm trees.

After traveling for two days, we finally got to Merzuga. Before sunset, we boarded our camels and rode into the desert over the dunes. After two hours, we reached the camp. It was dark, cold, and I was starving. The guide brought a lamb dish, and the five of us shared from a plate eating with our hands.

After dinner, everyone went to sleep in tents, except me. I've always wanted to have the experience of sleeping in the desert, under the stars. But I didn't realize it could get so cold at night. During the day, the temperatures can reach 50° Celsius, but at night, they fall to 4° Celsius. So I took the same blanket that I used to ride the camel and wrapped myself in it to keep warm. The sky at night is amazingly clear. Suddenly, I saw a shooting star, and I made a wish: I want to come back and spend a night in the desert, but next time, in a nice warm sleeping bag.





## About the Reading

1. Where did one of the writer's greatest experiences take place?
2. What was unusual about the scenery on the way?
3. How long did the camel ride last?
4. Where did the writer sleep?
5. What was the temperature like in the day?
6. What did the writer think about the sky at night?

1. In Morocco.
2. There were dry gray cliffs, and below them were lots of green palm trees.
3. It took 2 days.
4. She slept in the desert, under the stars.
5. The temperatures can reach 50° Celsius.
6. She thought the sky at night was amazingly clear.

## Writing

Describe an experience that you've had and you'll never forget.

## World Link

Find out about one of the world's principal deserts: Sahara, Kalahari, Gobi, Atacama, etc. Share the information with the class.