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# PRESENT PERFECT AND PAST PERFECT SIMPLIFIED

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# Present perfect

- ▶ The present perfect is used when there is ‘usually new information’ or when ‘there is a connection to now.’ It is referred to as ‘present perfect simple’. (Murphy, 2012, p. 14)
- The president has arrived Baghdad.
- Jack has been to the Iraqi Museum.

# Present perfect

- ▶ Have a look at the following structure:
- ▶ Subject + has/have + past participle
- ▶ I, they, we and you take have while he, she and it take has.
  - I have booked the room.
  - She has played tennis.

# Present perfect

- ▶ Besides the present perfect simple, there is another form referred to as 'present perfect continuous'. This form is used to refer to 'an activity that has recently stopped or just stopped.' (Murphy, 2012, p. 18)
- I have been watching TV all day.
- Suha has been learning French since high school.

# Past perfect

- ▶ The past perfect is used to refer to actions in the past before a certain time in the past, in which the past simple form is used. (Murphy, 2012) It is referred to as the 'past perfect simple'.
- Mohammed had visited Turkey.
- I had gone to Egypt last year.

# Past perfect

- ▶ Have a look at the following structure:
  - ▶ Subject + had + past participle
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- I had played football.
  - It had snowed.

# Past perfect

- ▶ Another form of the past perfect is the present perfect continuous to refer to ongoing actions in the past before a certain time in the past, in which the past simple form is used. (Murphy, 2012)
- It had been snowing.
- Sam was in the hospital. He had been throwing up.

# References

- ▶ Murphy, R. (2012). English grammar in use. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.