

## Simple Past Vs. Present Perfect Tense

Fill in the blanks with the simple past or present perfect tense form of the verb.

1. He ..... born in 2012.

was

has been

Either could be used here

2. She ..... any interest in politics.

never showed

has never showed

Either could be used here

3. I ..... all of my friends to my party.

invited

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have invited

Either could be used here

4. None of my friends ..... up for my party.

turned

has turned

Either could be used here

5. My grandmother ..... at the age of 93.

died

has died

Either could be used here

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6. She ..... last month after a prolonged battle against cancer.

died

has died

Either could be used here

7. I ..... up several times in the night.

woke

have woken

Either could be used here

8. I ..... to hear the news of his accident.

was shocked

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have been shocked

Either could be used here

9. They ..... in July.

got married

have been gotten married

were gotten

10. I ..... the whole of yesterday  
in bed.

spent

have spent

Either could be used here

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11. I ..... a lot of places on my last holiday.

visited

have visited

Either could be used here

12. I ..... them for a long time.

knew

have known

was knowing

## Answers

He was born in 2012.

She never showed / has never showed any interest in politics.

I invited / have invited all of my friends to my party.

None of my friends turned / has turned up for my party.

My grandmother died at the age of 93.

She died last month after a prolonged battle against cancer.

## **Simple Past Vs. Present Perfect Tense**

I woke up several times in the night.

I was shocked to hear the news of his accident.

They got married in July.

I spent the whole of yesterday in bed.

I visited a lot of places on my last holiday.

I have known them for a long time.