

Simple past or present perfect tense exercise

Complete the following sentences using a verb form in the simple past or present perfect tense.

Hints

Use the simple past tense with a definite time expression referring to the past. The present perfect tense cannot be used with past time adverbs.

1. His father last year.

died

has died

had died

2. I an apple in the morning.

eat

ate

have eaten

3. I working on that report yet.

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did not finish

have not finished

not finished

4. We to America last year.

went

gone

have gone

had gone

5. I a hamburger.

never eat

never ate

have never eaten

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6. You 12 chocolates since morning.

ate

have eaten

had eaten

7. They in this city since 1995.

lived

have lived

had lived

8. I John last week and we his plans.

met, discussed

have met, have discussed

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had met, had discussed

9. I the parcel yet.

did not receive

have not received

had not received

10. I the parcel in the morning.

receive

received

have received

Answers

1. His father died last year.

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2. I ate an apple in the morning.
3. I have not finished working on that report yet.
4. We went to America last year.
5. I have never eaten a hamburger.
6. You have eaten 12 chocolates since morning.
7. They have lived in this city since 1995.
8. I met John last week and we discussed his plans.
9. I have not received the parcel yet.
10. I received the parcel in the morning.