4 GRAMMAR present perfect and past simple

a Read the conversation. What are they arguing about?



David I [1] *haven't seen* (see) those shoes before. Are they new?
Kate Yes. I [2]_____ (just buy) them. Do you like them?
D They're OK. How much [3]_____ they _____ (cost)?
K Oh, not much. They [4]_____ (be) a bargain. Under £100.



D You mean £99.99. That isn't cheap for a pair of shoes. Anyway, we can't afford to buy new clothes at the moment.
K Why not?
D [5]_____ you _____ (see) this?
K No. What is it?
D Our phone bill. It [6]_____ (arrive) this morning. And we [7]_____ (not pay) the house insurance yet.
K Well, what about the iPad you [8]_____ (buy) last week?
D What about it?
K You [9]_____ (not need) a new one. The old one [10]_____ (work) perfectly well.
D But I [11]_____ (need) the new model.
K Well, I [12]_____ (need) some new shoes.

b 2.8 Read the conversation again and put the verbs in the present perfect or the past simple. Then listen and check.

c Do we use the present perfect (**PP**) or past simple (**PS**)...?
1 for a completed action in the past _____
2 for recent actions when we don't ask / say exactly when _____
3 in sentences with *just*, *yet*, and *already* _____

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5 SPEAKING

a Read the *Have you ever...?* questions and complete them with the past participle of the **bold** verbs.

1 *saved* for something for a long time? **save**
2 _____ money to somebody who didn't pay you back? **lend**
3 _____ money on something you've never used? **waste**
4 _____ something and immediately regretted it? **buy**
5 _____ something from a relative? **inherit**

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b In pairs, interview each other with the questions. Ask for more information.

Have you ever saved for something for a long time?
Yes, I saved for six months to pay the deposit on my car.
How much was the deposit?
Have you ever lent money to somebody who didn't pay you back?
No, I haven't. But my brother lent me some money last week and I haven't paid him back yet.

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