



Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar

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Aim

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Introductory Activity



Past and Present



As a class, decide which columns these sentences belong in.

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I watch a film.

I listen to music.

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I drove a car.

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I eat a meal.

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Past and Present



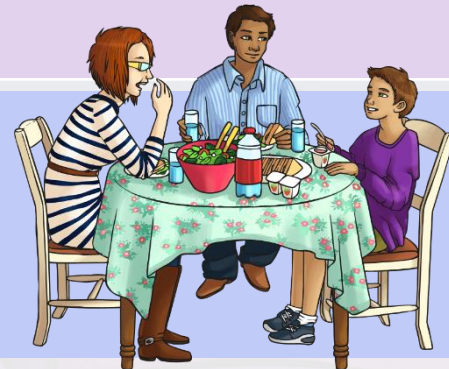
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Where would you place this sentence?

I have eaten a meal.

What do you notice about it?



It is in the past. It is called the **Present Perfect** tense. Confusing!

Past and Present



There are different types of tenses. Here are two of them.

Simple Past	Present Perfect
I saw a film. I listened to music. I drove a car. I ate a meal. I kept warm. I talked. I swam.	I have watch ed a film. I have listen ed to music. I have driv en a car. I have eat en a meal. She has walk ed . He has mak ed the coffee.

Where would you place these?

I kept warm.

He has made the coffee.

I talked.

I swam.

She has walked.



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The present perfect tense uses have + past participle (usually words ending in -ed or -en).

I walked. → I **have** walked.

Look at more examples below.

Present Perfect

They **have** watch**ed** a film.

She **has** listen**ed** to music.

I **have** driv**en** a car.

We **have** eat**en** a meal.



Review Activity



Which Past?



Which of these sentences is in the simple past?
What is the difference between the two?

I have seen a film.

I saw a film.



Which Past?



- Simple past talks about something that started and finished in the past.
- Present perfect talks about something that started in the past but might be true now or affects something that happens today.

I have seen a film.

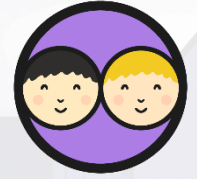
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Present perfect

Simple past



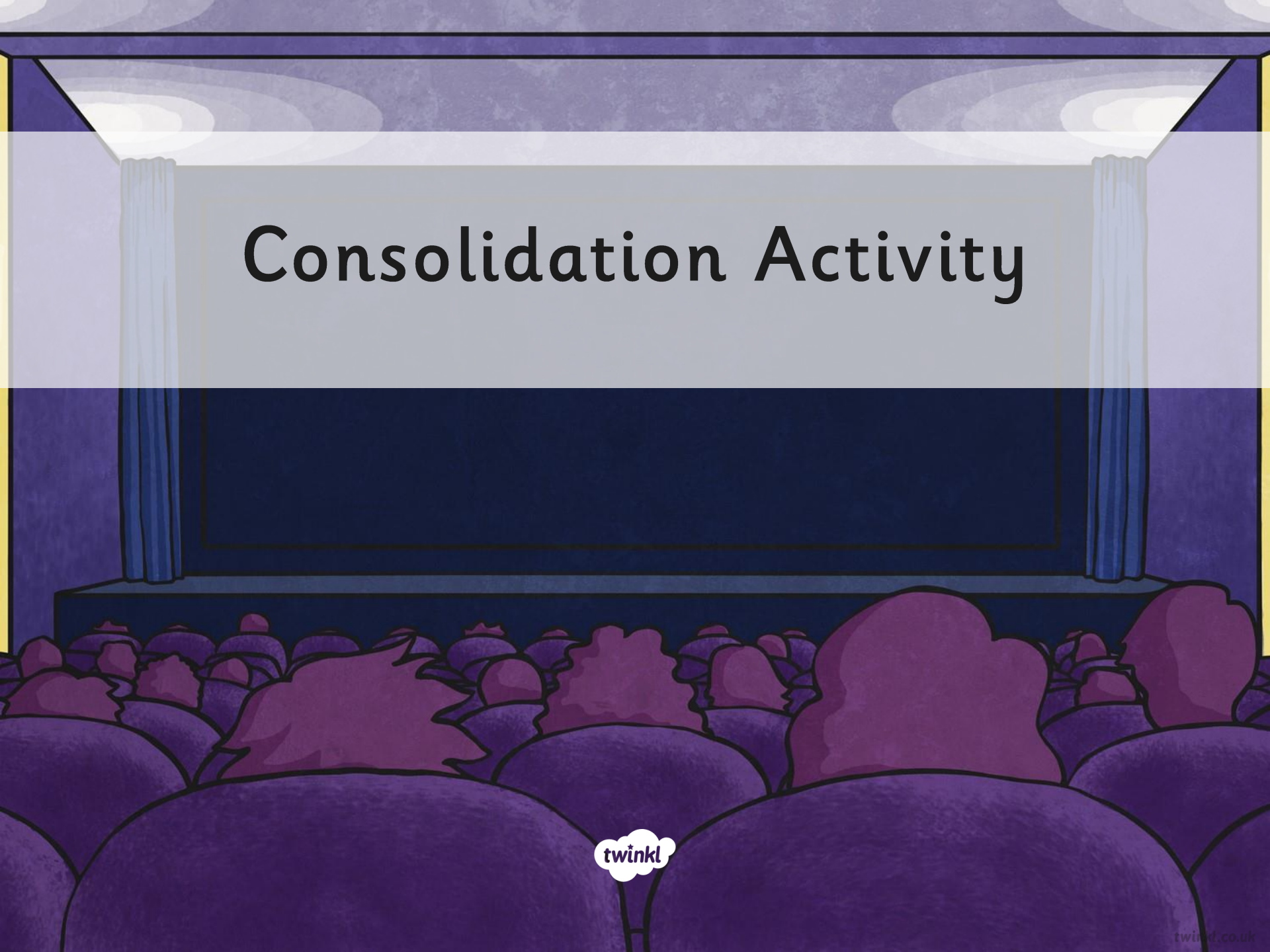
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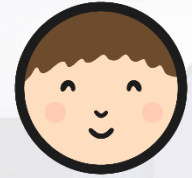
Work on your whiteboard with a partner to select which tense is correct.
Write 'a' or 'b' for each one.
Click the boxes to reveal the correct answer.

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| 1. | a) I went to school yesterday. | b) I have been to school yesterday. |
| 2. | a) When you have finished your homework, you can go on the computer. | b) When you finished your homework, you can go on the computer. |
| 3. | a) I found my keys now. | b) I have found my keys. |
| 4. | a) Next I ran past the window. | b) Next I have run past the window. |

Consolidation Activity



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- b) Look how much work you have did/done today!
- c) It snowed/has snowed all of last week.
- d) The babies have cried/cried ever since they arrived.
- e) Dad made/has made spaghetti bolognese for our tea later tonight.
- f) For Halloween last year we dressed/we have dressed as skeletons.

2. Finish the sentences below using the **present perfect** tense.

- a) As a result of the rain, _____
- b) As Christmas is nearly here, _____
- c) Due to the wind blowing hard, _____



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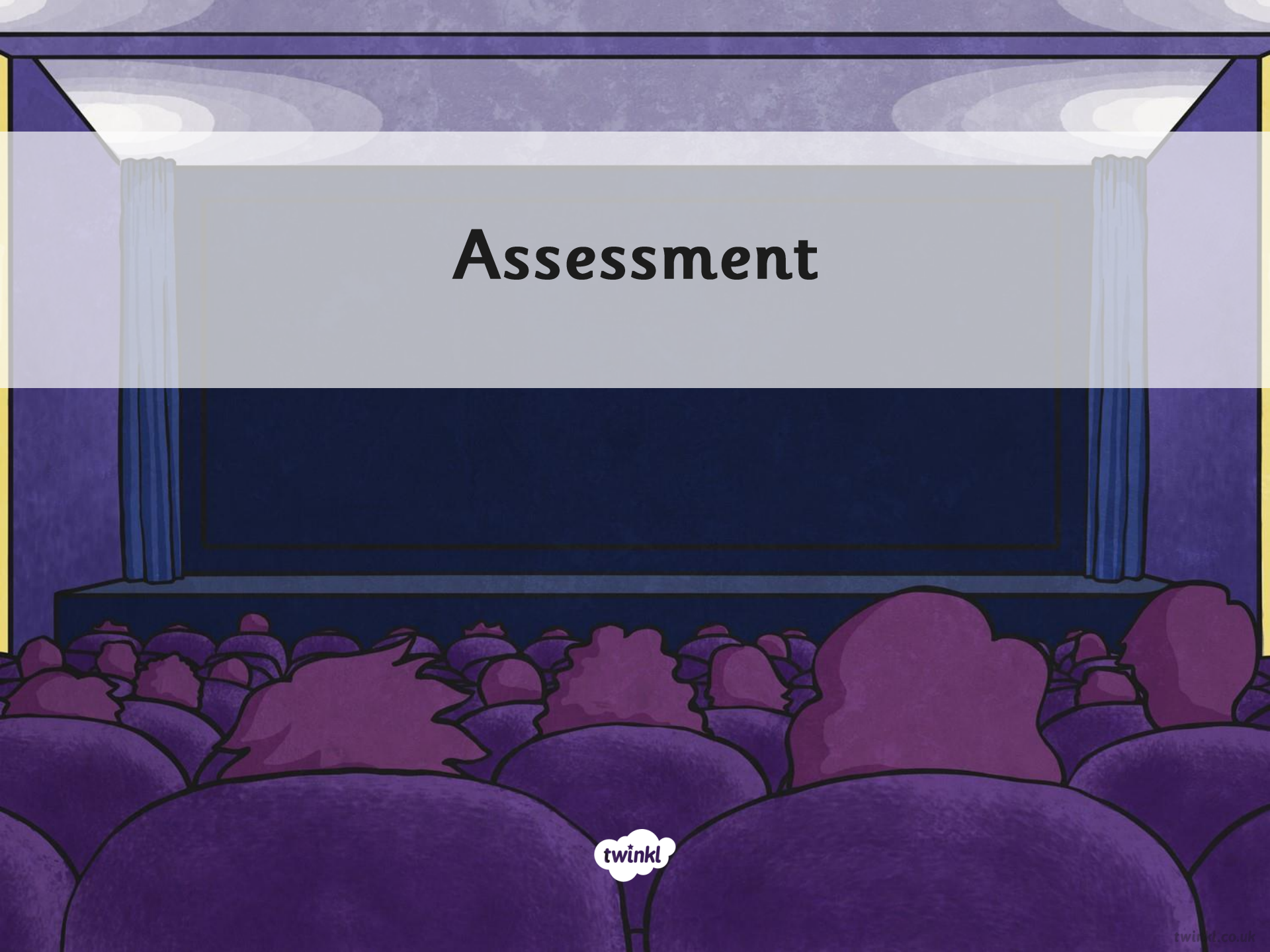
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Use all the information you have learnt and practiced about present perfect and simple past. Work on your own to complete the Mini Test.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Present Perfect and Simple Past Mini Test

1. Which sentence below has been written in the past tense? **Tick one.**

This is the oldest car in the street. ☐

The car's engine dates back to 1970. ☐

The wheels were changed in 2014. ☐

The mechanic wants to change the seats. ☐

2. Tick to show which sentence uses the **present perfect**. **Tick one.**

She went to the shops. ☐

She was going to the shops. ☐

She has gone to the shops. ☐

3. Rewrite the sentence below in the **simple past**. Remember to use full punctuation.

He was walked through the woods.

4. Underline the verb form that is the **present perfect** in the passage below.

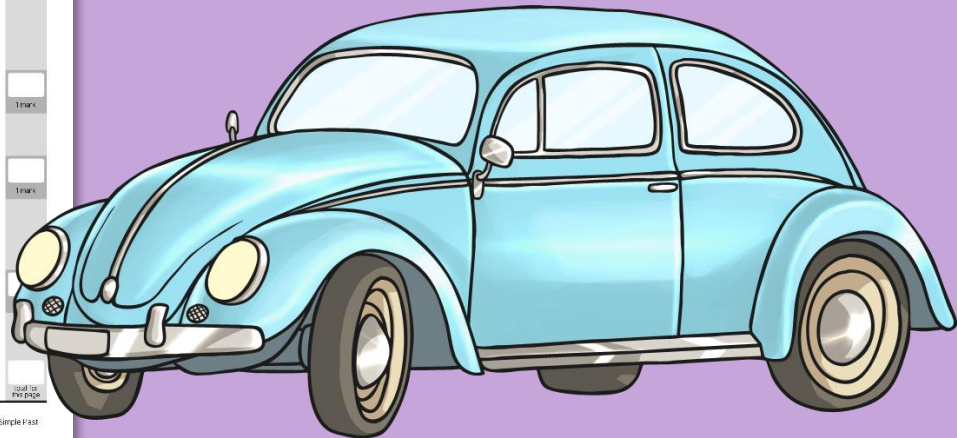
Annie enjoys climbing trees in her garden and has made a swing that dangles from one of the branches, with the help of her mum. She was crossing her fingers that there would be time to start making a real tree house, but the weekend disappeared. Annie was so pleased to have an adult to tie the knots.

5. Write a sentence in the present perfect below.

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Use all the information you have learnt and practised about present perfect and simple past. Work on your own to complete the Application Activity.

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Write a paragraph using the photo below.

Use the **simple past** at least **three times** and use the **present perfect** at least **three times**.



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