

Present Perfect Tense

It is formed with the present indicative of the helping verb **Haber** plus the past participle of a verb. For example:

- Nosotros hemos hablado con el gerente. We have spoken with the manager.
- Yo he hecho la tarta. I have made the pie.

Uses

1. The present perfect tense describes action in the past that influences the present, or that continues into the present.
 - a. Yo siempre he vivido en los Estados Unidos. I have always lived in the United States.
2. Sometimes the action is recently completed.
 - a. Él ha comido sus zanahorias. He has eaten his carrots.

Notes on Word Order

1. An object pronoun precedes the form of **Haber** and is not attached to the past participle.
 - a. Roberto lo ha visto. Robert has seen it.
2. In questions, subject pronouns follow the past participle (which is different from the English language).
 - a. ¿Qué ha visto usted? What have you seen?