

## Verb Tense Exercise

### Simple Past / Present Perfect / Past Perfect

Using the words in parentheses, complete the text below with the appropriate tenses,

1. When I (arrive)  home last night, I discovered that Jane (prepare)  a beautiful candlelight dinner.
2. Since I began acting, I (perform)  in two plays, a television commercial and a TV drama. However, I (speak, never even)  publicly before I came to Hollywood in 1985.
3. By the time I got to the office, the meeting (begin, already)  without me. My boss (be)  furious with me and I (be)  fired.
4. When I (turn)  the radio on yesterday, I (hear)  a song that was popular when I was in high school. I (hear, not)  the song in years, and it (bring)  back some great memories.
5. Last week, I (run)  into an ex-girlfriend of mine. We (see, not)  each other in years, and both of us (change)  a great deal. I (enjoy)  talking to her so much that I (ask)  her out on a date. We are getting together tonight for dinner.
6. When Jack (enter)  the room, I (recognize, not)  him because he (lose)  so much weight and (grow)  a beard. He looked totally different!
7. The Maya established a very advanced civilization in the jungles of the Yucatan; however, their culture (disappear, virtually)  by the time Europeans first (arrive)  in the New World.
8. I (visit)  so many beautiful places since I (come)  to Utah. Before moving here, I (hear, never)  of Bryce Canyon, Zion, Arches, or Canyonlands.