The **present perfect simple** always expresses a **link** between the **past** and the **present**.

We use the **present perfect simple** to express:

• an **impact** on the **present** of an action or a state in the **past**.

Example:

I've forgotten to post this letter. Could you remind me to do it?

The shop **has been** closed for weeks. I have to go shopping elsewhere.

 a state or an action that has begun in the past and continues until the present.

Example:

He's been very helpful recently.

I've never smoked.