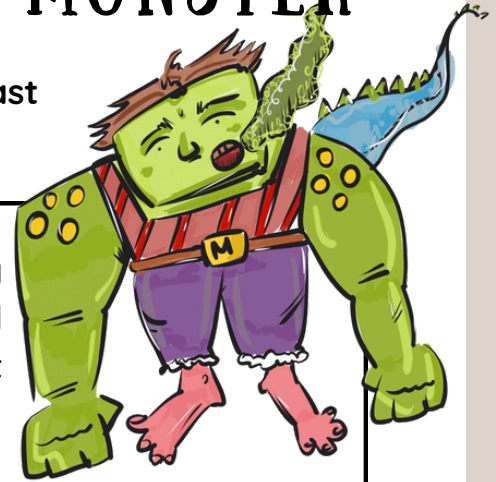


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# OSCAR, THE UNHEALTHY MONSTER

Read Oscar's story, answer the questions using the past simple and the present perfect.



This is Oscar. He is very smelly. He has been smelly since he was 5 years old. That's when his mom told him he didn't need to take a bath and he didn't need to wash his clothes.

Oscar has never brushed his teeth. He hasn't taken a shower since he was 5 years old. He is 35 now. He hasn't washed for 30 years. He wasn't always like this but he got tired of smelling good. When he was five, he decided to never smell good again.

Now people ask him, "How long has it been since you've seen a bar a soap?" Oscar always said the same thing. He didn't remember the last time he saw soap.

About a year ago he thought about changing. He took a shower, washed his clothes, put on some perfume and combed his hair.

After all of that, he looked in the mirror and thought, "I like being smelly better!"  
He has never smelled good since then.

Underline the past simple sentences in the story using a red pen and the present simple sentences using a blue pen.

Answer the following questions:

1 How long has Oscar been smelly for?

\_\_\_\_\_

2 How long has it been since Oscar brushed his teeth?

\_\_\_\_\_

3 What did Oscar decide when he was 5 years old?

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## Past Simple and Present Perfect practice

### Past Simple

Complete the sentences with the past simple form of the verb in parentheses.

- 1 Mary (to read) \_\_\_\_\_ a fascinating book last month.
- 2 They (to visit) \_\_\_\_\_ their cousins last summer.
- 3 We (to watch) \_\_\_\_\_ a thrilling movie last night.
- 4 I (to cook) \_\_\_\_\_ dinner for the family yesterday.
- 5 He (to play) \_\_\_\_\_ basketball with his friends on Saturday.

### Present Perfect

Complete the sentences with the present perfect form of the verb in parentheses.

- 1 She (to finish) \_\_\_\_\_ her homework already.
- 2 They (to travel) \_\_\_\_\_ to many countries in the past five years.
- 3 I (to see) \_\_\_\_\_ that movie three times.
- 4 We (to buy) \_\_\_\_\_ a new car recently.
- 5 He (to start) \_\_\_\_\_ a new job this week.

Choose the correct form (past simple or present perfect) to complete the sentences.

- 1 I (to live) \_\_\_\_\_ in this city since 2010.
- 2 She (to go) \_\_\_\_\_ to the store an hour ago.
- 3 They (to work) \_\_\_\_\_ together on multiple projects.
- 4 We (to meet) \_\_\_\_\_ at the conference last year.
- 5 He (to find) \_\_\_\_\_ his keys after searching for an hour.