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GRAMMAR

Present Perfect with *just*, *already*,
(not) yet and Past Simple

*I can use the Present Perfect with
just and already.*

- SPEAKING** What are your musical tastes? Note down your favourites. Then compare with a partner.
 - Favourite band
 - Favourite female singer
 - Favourite male singer
- Read about The BRIT School in London. What do Leona Lewis, Adele and Jessie J all have in common?

★ A SCHOOL FOR STARS ★

The BRIT School opened in 1991. Over the years, it has produced many successful graduates. Leona Lewis, Adele and Jessie J are three former students – they have sold millions of albums between them. In 2006, Leona Lewis **won** *The X Factor* and she has already sold more than ten million albums worldwide. Adele has had No 1 hits in the British and American charts including the single *Hello* from her album *25*, the best-selling album of 2015. Singer and songwriter Jessie J **has already won** numerous music awards and she's written songs for other international artists such as Miley Cyrus.

Another term **has just ended** at the BRIT School. Have they produced new stars? Probably! We **haven't heard** of them **yet**, but we will!

- Read the GRAMMAR FOCUS. Complete the examples using the verb phrases in blue in Exercise 2. Then underline five more Present Perfect sentences in the text.

GRAMMAR FOCUS 13

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- You use the **Present Perfect** to talk about finished actions in time 'up-to-now'. You never say exactly 'when' they happened.
Time expressions: *ever*, *never*, *since then*, *just*, *already* (usually affirmative), (not) yet (usually negative or questions)
just = has happened very recently
Another term ¹ _____ **just** _____ at the BRIT School.
(not) yet = hasn't happened but probably will happen
We ² _____ of them **yet**.
already = has happened earlier than expected
She ³ _____ **already** _____ numerous music awards.
- You use the **Past Simple** to talk about finished actions in past time. You usually say 'when' they happened.
In 2006, Leona Lewis ⁴ _____ The X Factor.

- Choose the correct time expressions and write them in the correct place in the sentences. Which sentences are true for you?
 - I lent my iPod to my sister but she hasn't given it back **yet**. (~~yet~~ / just)
 - I've updated my Facebook profile with some new photos. (just / yet)
 - I want to learn the guitar but I haven't found a teacher. (~~already~~ / yet)
 - I got my favourite band's new album recently and I've learnt all the words. (already / yet)
 - I've finished a really good book. (~~already~~ / just)
- Complete the text with the Present Perfect or the Past Simple forms of the verbs in brackets.

Adele Laurie Blue Adkins ¹ **grew up** (grow up) in London with her mum and ² _____ (begin) singing when she was four. She ³ _____ (graduate) from the BRIT School in 2006. Adele ⁴ _____ (already earn) millions of pounds, but according to her friends, she ⁵ _____ (not changed). She's still the same girl they ⁶ _____ (know) before she was famous. She ⁷ _____ (write) her first two albums about two relationships that ended badly, but continued to write good songs while she was happily married. Adele says, 'I don't know what's going to happen if my music career goes wrong, I ⁸ _____ (not have) a proper job yet!'



- Read 6 Cultural Things to Do. Write one sentence with *already* and one with *yet* for each one. Which sentences are true for you?

6 Cultural Things to Do Before You Are 18

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| ▶ see a live band | ▶ act in a play |
| ▶ visit a big art gallery | ▶ read a classic novel |
| ▶ listen to a Beethoven symphony | ▶ write a poem or a short story |

I've already seen a live band.
I haven't seen a live band yet.

- SPEAKING** Ask your partner about 6 Cultural Things to Do. If the answer is 'yes', ask three more questions beginning with *who*, *where* and *what*.

A: *Have you seen a live band yet?* B: *Yes, I have.*

A: *Who did you see?*

B: *I saw Imagine Dragons.*

FOCUS VLOG 14 London attractions

14 Watch the Focus Vlog. For the worksheet, go to page 121.