BUSINESS ENGLISH / SPEAKING

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Have you ever...?

Small questions. Great work stories.

Your experience, up to now

Use the **present perfect** to ask about experiences before now.
We don't say exactly when. **Ever** = at any time in your life.

Build it: have / has + past participle (verb 3)
Have you ever worked abroad? Yes, I have. / No, I haven't.
I've worked abroad. She's worked abroad. He hasn't worked abroad.

Find out more

A "yes" is just the start.

When did it happen?
Where were you?
What did you do?

Use past simple for the details.



arrive late for work

One question. Then the story.

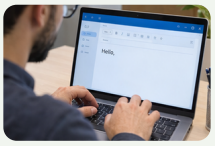
A: Have you ever arrived late for work?
B: Yes, I have.
A: Why were you late?
B: I missed my bus yesterday.

Past simple: a finished event, e.g. yesterday or last week.

Take turns. Use each picture to ask "Have you ever...?" If your partner says yes, ask a past simple follow-up question. If they say no, choose another picture.



lose your ID badge



send an email in English



travel abroad for work



bring a cake to work



come to work by train



answer a call in English



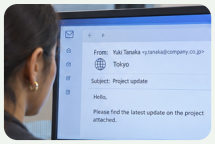
borrow a colleague's laptop



have lunch alone



listen to music at work



receive an email from another country



give first aid



use Excel



find something unusual at work

Verb boost

After **have / has**, use the form on the right:

lose → **lost** send → **sent** bring → **brought**
come → **come** have → **had**
give → **given** find → **found**

Regular verbs: add -ed; if the verb ends in -e, add -d.
work → worked borrow → borrowed use → used

Your turn: finish by asking one work question of your own.

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