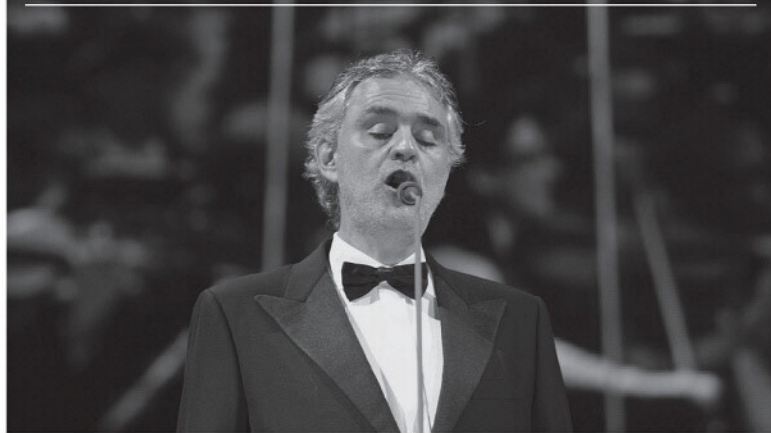


## 12.1 Artistic ability

## Grammar present perfect simple

- 1 Complete the article with the present perfect simple form of one of the verbs in (brackets).

## ANDREA BOCELLI



Italian singer Andrea Bocelli is rich and successful, but some times in his life <sup>1</sup> *haven't been* (not be / not sing) easy. Andrea had an accident when he was twelve and he is blind, but this <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not make / not stop) his dream of singing. Andrea <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (do / sell) over 100 million records and he <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (become / be) world famous. He <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (watch / travel) to lots of different countries to give concerts and thousands of people <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (give / watch) him sing, including Pope John Paul II.

The people in Andrea's home town, Lajatico, <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (build / do) an outdoor theatre – Teatro del Silenzio. It only opens one day a year, when Andrea sings there. Some of his famous friends <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (visit / sing) there with him; they include the Spanish opera singer Plácido Domingo. Andrea is famous as an opera singer, but he <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not record / not buy) only classical music. Canadian pop star Celine Dion <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (become / make) a record with Andrea, and so has Italian rock star Zucchero.

- 2 Make questions using the present perfect form of the verbs in (brackets). Then complete the short answers.

- 1 *Have you heard* (hear) Andrea Bocelli's songs?  
Yes, I *have* .
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_ he \_\_\_\_\_ (record) any songs in your language?  
No, he \_\_\_\_\_ .
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_ he \_\_\_\_\_ (give) concerts in your country?  
Yes, he \_\_\_\_\_ .
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to one of his concerts?  
No, I \_\_\_\_\_ .
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_ your friends \_\_\_\_\_ (buy) any of his records?  
Yes, they \_\_\_\_\_ .
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_ you and your husband \_\_\_\_\_ (visit) Lajatico?  
No, we \_\_\_\_\_ .

- 3 Correct the present perfect simple sentences.

- 1 We're visited Moscow and St Petersburg.  
*We've visited Moscow and St Petersburg.*
- 2 You read this book?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 3 We hadn't a holiday.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 4 All of the workers have went home.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 5 Mandy isn't found a job.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 6 Who has took my bike?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 7 I hasn't heard the weather forecast.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 8 He did washed the car.  
\_\_\_\_\_

**PRONUNCIATION** sentence stress

- 4 **12.1** Listen to sentences 1–6. Then tick (✓) the correct sentence in each pair (1 and 2) below.
- 1 We haven't seen Jane.
  - 2 She's won a prize.
  - 3 He hasn't been to university.
  - 4 They haven't finished work.
  - 5 You've fixed my computer.
  - 6 I've joined a gym.
- 1 a In positive sentences the past participle has a stressed sound.  
b In positive sentences the past participle doesn't have a stressed sound.
  - 2 a *Hasn't* and *haven't* have a stressed sound in negative sentences.  
b *Hasn't* and *haven't* don't have a stressed sound in negative sentences.
- 5 **12.1** Listen to sentences 1–6 again, pause and repeat.

**Vocabulary** verb and noun phrases

- 6 Match the words and phrases in the box to the photos.

an art gallery a cinema a classical music concert  
a dance lesson a film/movie an instrument  
a painting lesson a play a salsa class



1 a cinema



2 \_\_\_\_\_



3 \_\_\_\_\_



4 \_\_\_\_\_



5 \_\_\_\_\_



6 \_\_\_\_\_



7 \_\_\_\_\_



8 \_\_\_\_\_



9 \_\_\_\_\_

- 7 Complete the phrases with *go*, *have*, *play* or *see*.

In 1973, Pierre Vellas, a French university professor, started courses for older people to learn new things. He called it the U3A (University of the Third Age) and it is now an international organization. Here is a sample of things you can do with a U3A group:

**Art:** <sup>1</sup> Have drawing and painting lessons or  
<sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to an art gallery.

**Dance:** <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ dance lessons, and then  
<sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to a salsa class and show everyone what you've learnt!

**Films:** Don't <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to the cinema alone – join a U3A film group and <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ a new film, then discuss it with your group.

**Music:** Learn to <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ an instrument in a music group. Good musicians can <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ in a U3A band.

**Theatre:** Some groups organize theatre trips to  
<sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ a play or a musical.

- 8a Choose the correct word.

- 1 A Have you seen / *gone* the new *Star Wars* film?  
B Yes, I *saw* / *went* to the cinema with Alex to see it.
- 2 A Do you want to *have* / *go* to the theatre next week? The new Andrew Lloyd Webber musical is on.  
B That sounds great. I *saw* / *played* his last musical and I loved it.
- 3 A I'd love to learn to *play* / *have* the guitar like you.  
B Really? I can teach you if you want.
- 4 A Where's Ping? I haven't seen her today.  
B She's *gone* / *seen* to a rock concert in Berlin.
- 5 A That's a lovely picture. How did you learn to draw like that?  
B Thanks. I *went* / *had* some drawing lessons last summer.
- 6 A I really want to go to Glastonbury this year, but I can't get a ticket.  
B I bought my ticket last month – I love *seeing* / *going* to music festivals. My cousin's *playing* / *having* in a band there this year.

- b **12.2** Listen and check.

**I can ...**

talk about past experience and events using the present perfect simple.

Very well      Quite well      More practice

use verb and noun phrases.