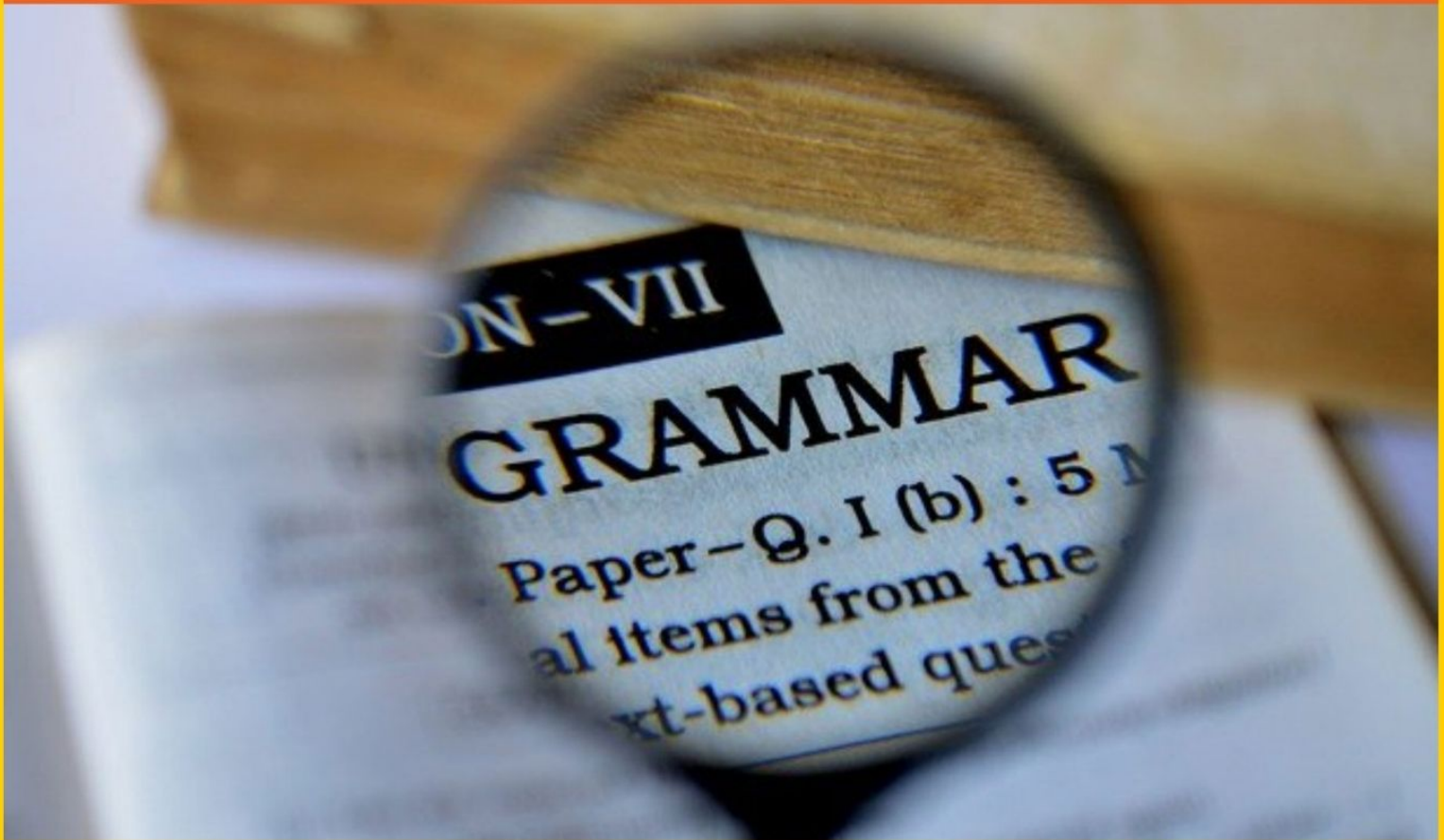


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GRAMMAR ADVANCED

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Grammar Advanced 02 | Past Simple and Present Perfect

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- It was so hot today that I (C) _____ shorts and a T-shirt at work.
- We (D) _____ \$200 on food this month and there's another week to go before I get paid.
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2. Complete the sentences with the pairs of verbs you see below. Choose the most appropriate tense - present perfect or past simple.

be able-feel | happen-speak | improve-be | not want-fall | rescue-be | work-not have

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- A lot (G) _____ since I last (H) _____ to you.
- Since I (I) _____ to drive I (J) _____ much more independent.
- Stefan's reading (K) _____ enormously since he (L) _____ at school.

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b- I didn't have time to check the essay. I handed it in as soon as I *finished* it.

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b- I'll probably have finished breakfast by the time the children *got* up.

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D. _____ E. _____ F. _____
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J. _____ K. _____ L. _____

3. A. _____

B. _____
C. _____
D. _____

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D. ● hasn't had E. ● rescued F. ● has been
G. ● has happened H. ● spoke I. ● was able
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4. A. ● arrives B. ● has visited
C. ● has closed/has been closed D. ● died
E. ● has dropped F. ● has fallen
G. ● have been stolen H. ● insisted
I. ● held