**Present Perfect and Past Simple**

**Malcolm X  
African-American Muslim and Civil Rights Activist (1925 – 1965)**

**Review**

PS Past Simple: An action that happened at a definite time in the past.

Example: Malcolm X died on Feb. 21, 1965. The 50th anniversary of his death occurred on Feb. 21, 2015.

**New!**

**PP Present Perfect:** An action that happened at an **indefinite** time in the past. Actions *can also continue* *into the present*. Present Perfect also uses time expressions including ***for***and ***since****.* The words ***ever*** and ***never*** are also common with this tense.

Example: Have you ever been (be) to the ballroom where Malcolm X was assassinated?

**Practice:**

1. How many of you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (hear) of Malcolm X?

2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (see / they) the Spike Lee film about Malcom X?

3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (read / she) the book The Autobiography of Malcolm X?

4. How many years \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (teach / you) about black history in the United States?