

Lesson 7. GOOD NEWS AND BAD NEWS

ACTIVE GRAMMAR

the Present Perfect Tense for results

ACTIVE VOCABULARY

worried, tired

1. Look at the photos. What can you see? Do you think they present good or bad news?



2. a) Read the animal news from a BBC website. Match the news items with the photos. Which is good news, which is bad news?

- A After heavy rain big parts of Australia are under water. Mariah, aged 9, lives right at the centre of the Australian floods. She says, "I've seen iguanas and even snakes in the water. I haven't seen anything like this before, but I'm not **worried** because we're OK."

A new restaurant has opened in London... and London dogs are very happy! Restaurants don't always welcome animals, but this one is only for dogs!

B

The number of penguins in Western Antarctica has halved in the last 30 years. Young penguins like eating krill — small sea animals. But, as a result of the climate change, there is far fewer krill around to eat. Krill need ice for life. No ice — no food for the penguins to eat.

C

A baby tortoise has become Whipsnade Zoo's newest, and smallest, addition! Tiny Tim the Egyptian tortoise (an endangered species) weighed only six grams when it hatched. He and his five brothers and sisters have found a home at Whipsnade Zoo in Bedfordshire, England.

D

A baby gorilla, so small zookeepers have named it "Tiny", has taken its first steps at London Zoo. Look at the photo: the baby is very **tired** and sleepy. Keeper Daniel Simonds says, "Tiny's just got his first tooth. However he still has a long way to go before he becomes a big gorilla"

E

A two-year-old Siberian tiger is moving house, from Scotland to a new home at the Yorkshire Wildlife Park. The tiger called Vladimir has become part of the programme to help Siberian tigers in danger. There are only 400 tigers in the wild. Naturalists are worried about their future.

F

Coast guards in Japan have rescued a dog from the top of a house washed out to sea by the tsunami. The dog is tired and hungry but very much alive. Many pets have been rescued recently.

G

Animal Charity the RSPCA says it has had one of the busiest months ever. They say the cold weather means lots of wildlife has to be rescued from the snow. The animal centre has to deal with all the extra animals.

H

b) Find sentences with the Present Perfect Tense in the news. What do they tell us about: the time when something happened or the result — the fact showing that something has happened?

c) Guess the meanings of the words in bold. Find more examples of sentences with these words in the news.

d) Complete the sentences with *worried* or *tired*.

1. After a long day at school you can feel 2. Before a test you sometimes feel

e) When do you feel tired? When do you feel worried?

f) Which item of news would you like to read about in detail?

3. a) Look at the photo. Why do you think Mr Rambler is so happy?



b) Listen to the conversation between Mr Rambler and his friend. Follow in the book. What has Mr Rambler done? What does he feel like, as a result?

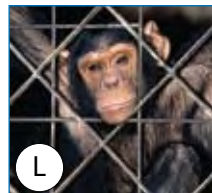
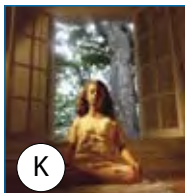
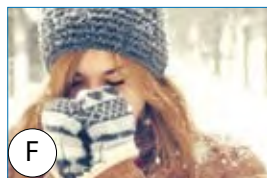
Good news —
Congratulations! Well done!

Bad news — I'm sorry
to hear that.

- How are you, Andrew?
- Fine. You know, I'm very happy.
- Why are you so happy?
- I've rescued three baby gorillas.
- Congratulations! Well done!
- But I haven't rescued their mother.
- I'm sorry to hear that.



c) Look at the pictures. Listen to the questions. Can you guess the answers? Use verbs in the Present Perfect Tense to make your guesses.



d) Listen to the conversations. Compare the answers with your ideas.

e) Listen and repeat after the speaker. Role-play the mini-conversations.

4. a) Play the “Good News / Bad News” game. Get a card from the teacher, go round the classroom and talk to all your classmates. Use ex. 3b for help. Say “Well done!” or “Congratulations!” after you have heard the good news, and “I’m sorry to hear that” after the bad news.

Example. — *Hi, Yan. How are you?*
— *You know, I’m very happy.*
— *Why?*
— *I’ve got a good mark.*
— *Well done!*

b) Have you heard more good news or bad news?

Lesson 8. MY LIFE SO FAR

GRAMMAR REVISION

the Present Perfect Tense

1. Do you remember the chants you have learnt in this unit? Recite them to your partner. What “time words” are used in them?

2. Fill in *yet, already, just, so far, recently, ever, never, always*.

1. I have ... finished my homework. I finished it two minutes ago. 2. Have you ... been to Disneyland? 3. We have ... been to Egypt, so we want to travel to Turkey next year. 4. Jane and her husband have visited twelve countries They’ve ... wanted to become really well-travelled. 5. Nick has ... been to Australia. He’d like to go there one day. 6. He hasn’t finished packing the suitcase 7. I’ve been to the Art Museum