PRETÉRITO

Vs.

PRESENTE PERFECTO

"Jugué con mi perro"

"I played with my dog"

"He jugado con mi perro"

"I have played with my dog"

• PRETÉRITO

a) Past situations/events that the speaker considers concluded.

"La semana pasada <u>estuve</u> en Portugal" "Last week I was in Portugal"

• PRESENTE PERFECTO

a) Past situations/events that the speaker considers not concluded.

"Jordan <u>ha estado</u> enferma esta semana" "Jordan has been sick this week"

b) To highlight the continuity of the past into the present; what it's expressed is whether an action has ever taken place or not: the exact time of the event is not important. Some commonly used expressions here are "siempre", "nunca", "toda mi vida", etc.

"Siempre <u>he querido</u> visitar Japón"
"I have always wanted to visit Japan"



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