

**1. Present Perfect или Past Simple? Повторите тему!!!**

**ACTION TOURS** is a small, friendly company and we provide many different specialist activity holidays for people since we started. We (1) have begun / began in 2006 with only two types of holiday, but we (2) have grown / grew every year since then and can now offer a wide range of tours.

Our most popular holidays are skiing and cycling. Our main ski trainer, Jules, (3) has taught / taught skiing for nearly twenty years. Suraya is our cycling tour leader - she (4) has taken / took part in the National Championships three times and she (5) has finished / finished fifth last year.

This year we (6) have organised / organised over twenty activity holidays - already more than we (7) have done / did last year, when we (8) have provided / provided a total of eighteen. Take a look at our website.

**Task 4. Translate into English (you must use only the Present Perfect forms of the verbs).**

1. Я не сказал ни слова об этом. 2. Мы посещали эту страну несколько раз. 3. Я ещё не окончила колледж. 4. Он провалил все зачёты и экзамены. 5. Я перевела все предложения. 6. Студенты только что сдали тесты.

**3. Read the text and do the following task (читая текст, выписывайте незнакомые слова с транскрипцией и переводом).**

**The Bald Eagle**

In 1782, soon after the United States won its independence, the bald eagle was chosen as the national bird of the new country. American leaders wanted the eagle to be a symbol of their country because it is a bird of strength and courage. They chose the bird because it was found all over North America.

Today, the bald eagle has almost disappeared from the country. In 1972 there were only 3,000 bald eagles in the entire United States. The reason for the bird's decreasing population is pollution, especially pollution of the rivers by pesticides. Pesticides are chemicals used to kill insects and other animals that attack and destroy crops. Unfortunately, rain often washes pesticides into rivers. Pesticides pollute the rivers and poison the fish. Eagles eat these fish and then the eggs eagles lay are not healthy. The eggs have very thin shells and do not hatch. That's why the number of eagles quickly became smaller.

Today, the American government and the American people are trying to protect the bald eagle. The number of bald eagles is slowly increasing. It appears that the American national bird will survive.

**Answer the following questions:**

1. When was the bald chosen as the national bird?
2. Why was the bald eagle chosen as the symbol of the United States? (2 reasons)
3. How many eagles were there in 1972?
4. Why has the bald eagle almost disappeared from the country?
5. Will the American national bird survive? Why?

**Can you describe the national bird of Russia?**

**When was it chosen as the national bird? Why was the bald eagle chosen as the symbol?**