



**Expansion Activities**  
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**Chapter 4: The Present Perfect and the Past Perfect**

**Activity: How Things Have Changed!**

**Materials needed:** Photos that illustrate a before/after scene. See sample photos below.

**Description:** One of the uses of the present perfect is to describe change over time. Students can stretch their vocabulary talking about before and after pictures. Put the pictures within a simple, general context to stimulate the students' imagination. For example, what if they had last visited a city five years ago? Now, on their return visit, they are surprised by developments and describe what has changed.

My visit to Boulder, Colorado, five years ago, and recently.

5 years ago



Recently



5 years ago



Recently

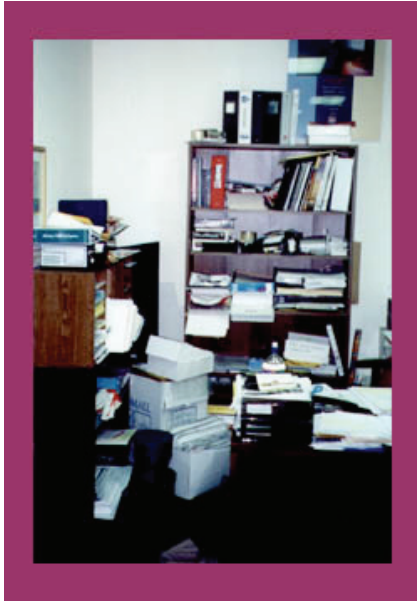




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My home office was such a mess!



I've recently gotten it organized.



The house down the street had been empty for a long time.



Recently, a new family has moved in.





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Glaciers in Europe 100 years ago.



Where has the ice gone?