

21. En la costa - The Learning Section

Grammar

WHAT YOU'VE DONE

When you're visiting places someone may ask:

¿Ha estado aquí antes?

Have you been before?

You can reply with:

Sí, he estado en el Norte

Yes, I've been to the North

estar: estado

to be: been

It's the past participle of 'estar'. The past participle is made by changing the ending of '-ar' verbs to '-ado', and of '-er' and '-ir' verbs to '-ido'. So, from 'tener': '¿han tenido un buen día?' Have you had a good day?

tener: tenido

to have: had

'Ha sido importante', it's been important, from 'ser'

ser: sido

to be: been

'¿Cómo has dormido?' How have you slept? from 'dormir', to sleep

dormir: dormido

to sleep: slept

As usual, there are some common verbs that don't follow this regular pattern. 'He visto distintas partes de España' I've seen different parts of Spain, 'visto' from 'ver' - to see

ver: visto

to see: seen

'He hecho muchas fotos' I've taken lots of pictures, 'hecho' from 'hacer'

hacer: hecho

to make/do: made/done