Simple Past vs. Present Perfect Tense

Fill in the blanks with an appropriate verb form.

1. I ………………………… some old friends at the party yesterday.
   - met
   - have met

2. She ……………………….. some novels.
   - wrote
   - has written

3. There ……………………… an explosion near the hotel at 8 am.
   - was
   - has been
4. There ........................................ an explosion near the hotel.

- has been
- was

5. It is time you ................................ that roof repaired.

- get
- got
- have got

6. The cops ........................................ the thief but they couldn’t catch him.

- chased
- have chased
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7. She .................................. any interest in building a career.
   - never showed
   - has never shown

8. I .................................... him since January.
   - did not see
   - have not seen
   - had not see

9. She didn’t get the promotion although she ................................ it.
   - deserved
   - has deserved
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10. Suddenly I ......................... that I hadn’t locked the door.

   - realized
   - have realized

11. The child started crying as soon as she ......................... her mother.

   - saw
   - seen
   - had seen

12. She ......................... him instantly.

   - recognized
   - has recognized
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Answers

I met some old friends at the party yesterday.
She has written some novels
There was an explosion near the hotel at 8 am.
There has been an explosion near the hotel.
It is time you got that roof repaired.
The cops chased the thief but they couldn’t catch him.
She has never shown any interest in building a career.
I have not seen him since January.
She didn’t get the promotion although she deserved it.
Suddenly I realized that I hadn’t locked the door.
The child started crying as soon as she saw her mother.