Simple Past vs. Present Perfect

Fill in the blanks with an appropriate tense form.

1. I ........................................... in Kerala when I was a child.
   lived
   have lived

2. I ........................................... him since June.
   didn't see
   haven't seen

3. There ..................................... an explosion near the temple.
   was
   has been
4. Last night there ................................ an explosion in the city.

was

has been

5. She ........................................ unemployed since she left her country.

was

has been

6. They ........................................ the contract yesterday.

signed

have signed
7. The program ........................................ yet.

didn't start

hasn't started

8. I ........................................ that movie.

didn't see

haven't seen

9. I ........................................ working on that project yet.

didn't start

haven't started

10. Look! Someone ..................................... their
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umbrella in the hall.

left

has left

11. ....................................... to Venice?

Did you ever go

Have you ever been

12. I ...................................... the bell six times.

rang

have rung

Answers

1. I lived in Kerala when I was a child.
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2. I haven’t seen him since June.

3. There has been an explosion near the temple.

4. Last night there was an explosion in the city.

5. She has been unemployed since she left her country.

6. They signed the contract yesterday.

7. The program hasn’t started yet.

8. I haven’t seen that movie.

9. I haven’t started working on that project yet.

10. Look! Someone has left their umbrella in the hall.

11. Have you ever been to Venice?

12. I rang the bell six times.