

# 42 have got

Gwyneth Paltrow's got two children.  
They've got a house in London.



## 1 Form

POSITIVE				NEGATIVE			
I/We/You/They	've (have) got	a garden.		I/We/You/They	haven't (have not) got	a garden.	
He/She/It	's (has) got			He/She/It	hasn't (has not) got		

Yes/No QUESTIONS				SHORT ANSWERS					
Have	I/we/ you/they	got	a garden?	Yes,	I/we/ you/they	have.	No,	I/we/ you/they	haven't.
Has	he/she/it				he/she/it	has.		he/she/it	hasn't.

### Wh- QUESTIONS

What kind of car	have	you	
What colour hair	has	she	got?
How many children	have	they	

**NATURAL ENGLISH** We usually use the short forms of *have got* ('ve got/'s got).

Pronunciation ► 1.15

## 2 Use

We use *have got*

- to talk about possessions (things that belong to you):  
*I've got a good camera. He's got two cars. Have they got a lot of money?*
- to talk about your family or friends:  
*I've got two sisters. Has she got any friends at her new school?*
- to describe what somebody looks like:  
*I've got dark hair and brown eyes.*
- to talk about illnesses:  
*I've got a cold/headache/stomachache. Has the baby got a temperature?*

- ~~*X I got brown hair.*~~  
 ✓ *I've got brown hair.*  
~~*X He got a good job.*~~  
 ✓ *He's got a good job.*

*have got* and *have* British/American English ► page 317