



STILL - YET - ALREADY

STILL is generally used in affirmative contexts.

YET is used in negative and interrogative sentences.

- Is John out of bed **yet**?
- No, he isn't awake **yet**. He's **still** asleep.

STILL indicates that certain actions and states have not come to an end.

YET often shows that, so far, they have not occurred.

ALREADY is used in sentences that tell what has happened or has been completed *before* the time of speaking. It also expresses *surprise* that an action has been completed so quickly, that an event has occurred so soon:

- How time flies! It's ten o'clock **already**!

1. - Have you finished my book _____ ?
- No, I'm _____ in the middle of it.
2. - Why aren't the children in bed _____ ?
- They're up because they haven't finished their homework ____
3. - Have you replied to Alice's letter _____ ?
- No, I'm trying to find time for that. It's one week late _____
4. - Hasn't she left home _____ ?
- Yes, she's _____ moved in with some other girls.
5. My goodness, look at the time! It's nine o'clock _____
and I'm _____ at breakfast.
6. The bill was for \$500. I have _____ given him three
hundred and I _____ have to pay two hundred.
7. Peter is _____ in love with Mary and would have married
her if she hadn't _____ married someone else.
8. Have you finished your homework _____ ? It's only ten
minutes since you sat down to begin!
9. Hello, I didn't expect to find you here _____. I thought
you would _____ be on the way.
10. After only three years in the army, he was _____ a
captain and rising, although he isn't a general _____ .
11. She hasn't forgiven Fred _____. They are _____ arguing.
12. I haven't been to New York _____ .
13. It was raining at lunch time and it is _____ raining.
The rain hasn't stopped _____ .
14. - Has the class begun _____ ?
- No, not _____ .
15. - Has George found a job _____ ?
- That's right; he's _____ found it.