

## Present perfect vs Present perfect continuous

- 4 ★ Match the tenses in bold in sentences 1 to 6 to the uses (a-f).

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| 1 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | f | He <b>has just left</b> for the airport.                             |
| 2 | <input type="checkbox"/>            |   | Sam is tired. He's <b>been sightseeing</b> all day.                  |
| 3 | <input type="checkbox"/>            |   | Chris <b>has been waiting</b> to see the doctor for three hours now. |
| 4 | <input type="checkbox"/>            |   | Steve <b>has climbed</b> the Eiffel Tower.                           |
| 5 | <input type="checkbox"/>            |   | Lisa <b>has booked</b> a trip to Australia.                          |
| 6 | <input type="checkbox"/>            |   | I <b>have taken</b> lots of pictures this morning.                   |

- a to place emphasis on the duration of an action which started in the past and continues up to the present
- b an action which happened in a time period that is not over at the moment of speaking
- c an action that started and finished in the past and lasted for some time with a visible result in the present
- d for experiences
- e an action which happened at an unspecified time in the past
- f a recently completed action

- 5 ★ Put the verbs in brackets into the *present perfect* or the *present perfect continuous*.

- 1 They *haven't returned* (not/return) from their trip yet.
- 2 The train .....  
(just/arrive).
- 3 We .....  
(wait) for the bus for an hour now.
- 4 .....  
(you/ever/be) abroad?
- 5 Beth .....  
(lie) on the beach since we arrived.
- 6 Amy .....  
(not/visit) us since 2008.
- 7 How long .....  
(you/live) here?
- 8 We .....  
(walk) since 9 o'clock this morning and my feet hurt!