

A music family!



2.2 Grammar 1 (*Present perfect continuous and present perfect simple*)

Complete the text using the words in brackets in present perfect simple or present perfect continuous.

Hi! I'm Amanda Sharp and I love classical music. I ¹ _____ (**play**) the cello since I was eight. It's a difficult instrument and I need to practise every day. In fact, I ² _____ (**just / come**) back from a rehearsal now. My teacher says I ³ _____ (**improve**), which is great because I'm performing with the school orchestra next week.

My brother Simon loves music too. He's a in a band and he ⁴ _____ (**perform**) at six live concerts so far. He has three different guitars and he ⁵ _____ (**learn**) how to play all of them, but he ⁶ _____ (**not / use**) all of them on stage yet. He's a great talent, though!

Our interest in music comes from mum. She ⁷ _____ (**be**) a singer all her life and for the last few years she ⁸ _____ (**work**) in a recording studio. I ⁹ _____ (**visit**) the studio a couple of times to see her at work.

Dad is the least musical person in my family. He ¹⁰ _____ (**never / be**) to a live concert in his life and ¹¹ _____ (**not / learn**) to play an instrument. However, recently he ¹² _____ (**listen**) to classical music to help him relax.

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