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## GRAMMAR

Present Perfect with  
for and since

## SHOW WHAT YOU KNOW

- 1 Decide if the underlined part of each sentence describes a point in time or period of time.

I was born in 1997.

point/period

The film was two hours long.

point/period

- 1 I like living in the city, so a week in the country is long enough.

point/period

- 2 Sasha moved into her flat in 2017.

point/period

- 3 It took us 3 days to paint the walls in my bedroom.

point/period

- 4 Zara finished her homework at 6:00 p.m.

point/period

- 5 The village is 375 years old.

point/period

- 6 My parents bought the house when they got married.

point/period

- 2 ★ Choose the correct words.

- 1 Luke has lived in this cottage *for / since* he was three years old.

- 2 I haven't done the washing *for / since* two weeks. I have no clean clothes.

- 3 We have wanted to live in a village near the sea *for / since* so many years!

- 4 Annie has been in bed *for / since* yesterday morning. She's really sick.

- 5 People have built houses in this area *for / since* thousands of years.

- 6 My brother hasn't had a bath *for / since* at least six months. He prefers the shower.

- 7 They've had a wood-burner *for / since* about three years but now they want to change it because it's not good for their health.

- 8 The pasta has been in the cupboard *for / since* we moved into this flat four years ago.

- 9 Dad hasn't cut the grass *for / since* he lost the key to the shed.



- 3 ★ ★ Complete the sentences with the Present Perfect form of the verbs in brackets and *for* or *since*.

Kevin's in his room, but he hasn't made (not/make) a noise since one o'clock. Do you think he's OK?

- 1 We <sup>a</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (have) this pizza in our fridge <sup>b</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ two weeks.

- 2 Harry <sup>a</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (write) lots of miserable poems <sup>b</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ he stopped seeing Ellen.

- 3 Chloe <sup>a</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (not/make) her bed <sup>b</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ three days.

- 4 Lewis and Oliver <sup>a</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (play) for the school football team <sup>b</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ two years.

- 5 <sup>a</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ last month, there <sup>b</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (be) a market in the city centre.

- 4 ★ ★ ★ Use the words in brackets to complete the questions and answers in the Present Perfect. Add *for* or *since*.

Q: How long have you lived (you/live) in London?

A: We 've lived in London for 5 years.

- 1 Q: How long <sup>a</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (Olivia/want) to be an architect?

A: Oh, Olivia <sup>b</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ she visited Barcelona.

- 2 Q: How long <sup>a</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (your parents/be) married?

A: I don't really know, but they <sup>b</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ a long time.

- 3 Q: How long <sup>a</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (Alice/know) Samuel?

A: She <sup>b</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ they started school together.

- 4 Q: How long <sup>a</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (your sister/have) long hair?

A: She <sup>b</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ at least six months.

## SHOW WHAT YOU'VE LEARNT

- 5 Use the information in brackets to write Present Perfect sentences. Use *for* or *since* if necessary.

I've been passionate about poetry for (be/passionate about poetry) three years.

- 1 I \_\_\_\_\_ (not/be/ to school) two weeks.

- 2 Molly \_\_\_\_\_ (not/read/a good book) last year.

- 3 How long \_\_\_\_\_ (Polly/be busy) in the kitchen?

- 4 The World Wide Web \_\_\_\_\_ (exist) 1989.

- 5 Lauren \_\_\_\_\_ (not/see/Oliver) four days.

- 6 How long \_\_\_\_\_ (your grandparents/live) in a bungalow?

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