

GRAMMAR

Present perfect with *for* and *since*

1 Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

- I've had my phone *for / since* six months.
- She's had her computer *for / since* 2013.
- They've lived there *for / since* last summer.
- He's only played the guitar *for / since* three weeks.
- I haven't seen my cousins *for / since* a long time.
- We have known each other *for / since* we were ten years old.

2 Tick (✓) the correct sentences.

- ☒ **A** It's so nice that you'll come tomorrow. I didn't see you for three weeks.

B It's so nice that you'll come tomorrow. I haven't seen you for three weeks.
- A** I didn't eat chicken since a long time.

B I haven't eaten chicken for a long time.
- A** Yesterday I bought two dresses. I haven't had one since I was six!

B Yesterday I bought two dresses. I've never had one since I was six!
- A** I want to sell my radio. I've had it for four years.

B I want to sell my radio. I've got it since four years.
- A** I know Adam 20 years.

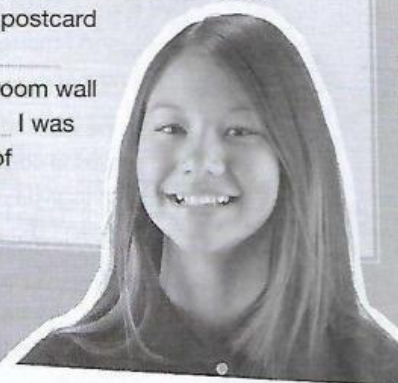
B I've known Adam for 20 years.

3 Rewrite the sentences using *for* or *since*. Imagine it is now 7 pm on Monday 21st August.

- We've lived here since 21st June.
We've lived here for two months.
- I've had a headache for three hours.
- Josh has had that camera since April.
- Aysha and Faruk have been out with their friends since 2 pm.
- Davina's only played the violin for a month.
- You haven't phoned me since last Monday.
- The rain hasn't stopped for 24 hours.

4 Complete the blog with *for*, *since*, *has* or *have*.

I collect postcards. I've collected them
1 _____ a long time. I started when
I was six and I'm thirteen now, so I've had this
hobby 2 _____ seven years. I started
when my uncle sent me a postcard from Madrid.
He 3 _____ visited a penfriend there
every year 4 _____ he was a teenager.
All my friends and family 5 _____
sent me postcards 6 _____ then.
My favourite is a postcard
that 7 _____
been on my bedroom wall
8 _____ I was
ten. It's a photo of
New Zealand.



VOCABULARY

Collocations about
having fun

1 Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

- When I go camping with my friends, I always
_____ a brilliant time.
A enjoy **B** have **C** spend
- My mum's family are from Argentina and I love
_____ time with them when we go
there for holidays.
A being **B** feeling **C** spending
- I collect old watches, and finding an unusual one
gives me a fantastic _____.
A time **B** laugh **C** feeling
- When you do a free-time activity, the most
important thing is to _____ yourself.
A enjoy **B** laugh **C** play
- Everyone was really _____ when
Georgina won the photography prize – her
photos were much more interesting than anyone
else's.
A great **B** fun **C** glad

2 Write sentences about you using the phrases in the box.

a laugh an exciting weekend
enjoy ourselves spending time

- I always have a laugh with my eldest sister!*

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

15 FREE TIME

VOCABULARY

Free-time activities

1 Match the activity to the phrase that describes it.

1 going shopping

2 acting

3 chatting

4 photography

5 cooking

6 playing an instrument

7 collecting things

8 dancing

9 playing sport

a having conversations

b using a camera

c buying things

d being someone in a drama

e making music with a guitar or violin, for example

f having a game of tennis, for example

g moving your body, usually to music

h getting and keeping lots of one kind of object

i making things to eat

2 Read about the people's hobbies and complete the texts with the words in the box.

acting chatting collecting cooking going (x2) listening making
photography playing (x2) reading singing spending watching



I really like ¹ _____
time online and
² _____ to other
people on my phone
and laptop. I also love
³ _____ to music
online. I live on the internet!

Galina



I love ⁸ _____
computer games and
⁹ _____ TV. I like
¹⁰ _____ books
too. I go to the library
every week.

Pilar

My favourite hobby is
⁴ _____ things from
plastic, wood and paper. I'm
learning ⁵ _____ too,
so I usually take pictures of them
when I've finished them.



Tanya

In my free time I enjoy
¹¹ _____ musical
instruments. I'm quite good
at the piano and the drums.
I also like ¹² _____
instruments – I've got about 30
different ones already!



Nala



⁶ _____ is my
favourite thing to do when
I'm not in school. I love
⁷ _____ shopping
for food that I haven't used
before, then making something
amazing with it.

Guillermo



I go to a theatre group every
Saturday morning and we
do three things which I
love: ¹³ _____ in
plays, ¹⁴ _____
songs and dancing. I like
¹⁵ _____ out with
my friends from the group
too – they're great fun.

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