

Present Perfect with *for* and *since*

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1 For or since? Draw lines to make phrases.

February she was eight years old

a minute last weekend half past three

for since

Wednesday a week a long time

ten years ages

2 Complete the sentences with *for* or *since*.

- Josh has known Adam since they were twelve.
- Zadie has had her guitar _____ a long time.
- Josh and his family have lived in this street _____ 2016.
- Bella hasn't been to Italy _____ almost a year.
- Adam hasn't known Bella _____ a very long time.
- Bella's mum has had the café _____ Bella was a baby.
- Adam hasn't watched TV _____ a week. He's been too busy.

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

Two young British actresses

Henrietta Marshall and Carrie Saunders ¹have been (be) friends ²since they were in primary school. They also studied acting together, but now they live in two different countries. Henrietta ³_____ (live) in California ⁴_____ five years. Carrie is visiting Henrietta next week. She ⁵_____ (love) travelling ⁶_____ she was little. She and Henrietta ⁷_____ (spend) their holidays together ⁸_____ many years and they always have a great time.

4 Complete the second sentence in each pair so that the meaning is the same. Use the Present Perfect of the verb in brackets and *for* or *since*.

- I started playing tennis three months ago.
I have played (play) tennis for three months.
- I met you a long time ago.
I _____ (know) you _____ a long time.
- Harry got his new tablet at Christmas.
Harry _____ (have) his new tablet _____ Christmas.
- Sandra arrived in Hollywood two weeks ago.
Sandra _____ (be) in Hollywood _____ two weeks.
- Our grandparents moved to another town in 2017.
Our grandparents _____ (live) in another town _____ 2017.
- They started working at the bookshop when they were eighteen.
They _____ (work) at the bookshop _____ they were eighteen.

* 5 Write questions and answers. Use the Present Perfect.

- how long / you / know / your neighbours? (five years)
A: How long have you known your neighbours?
B: I've known my neighbours for five years.
- how long / your brother / have / a motorbike? (he was nineteen)
A: _____
B: _____
- how long / you / live / here? (six months)
A: _____
B: _____
- how long / Jennifer Lawrence / be / an actress? (she was fourteen)
A: _____
B: _____
- how long / you / be vegetarian? (many years)
A: _____
B: _____

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