

7B GRAMMAR



1 Magnus works at home, he's a self-employed web designer.



3 Dylan works as a lifeguard at the beach.



2 Ellie works in an office for a multinational company.

- 1 In pairs, look at the photos and say which job you would prefer to have and why.

I'd like to be a lifeguard. You don't get paid much but I love the sea.

Present Perfect (2)

- 2 3.3 Match sentences a–c with the people in the photos. Listen and check.

- a ☐ I've been in Australia since November.
- b ☐ I've loved Japan since I was a little kid.
- c ☐ I'm my own boss but I haven't had a good break for weeks.

- 3 Look at sentences a–c in Exercise 2 again and choose the correct answers.

- 1 Dylan *is / isn't* in Australia now.
- 2 We use *for / since* with a point in time in the past, e.g. last Tuesday.
- 3 We use *for / since* with a period of time, e.g. four days.

- 4 Study the Grammar box and *Watch out!* and check your answers to Exercise 3.

Present Perfect (2)

We also use the **Present Perfect** to talk about situations that began in the past and continue now.

We often use *since* to say when the situation started or *for* to say how long this situation has been true.

In questions, we use *How long* to ask about duration.

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WATCH OUT!

We don't use the Present Simple tense to talk about situations that began in the past and continue in the present:

I've worked here for four years. NOT *I work here for four*

- 5 Read the sentences. Who doesn't work here anymore?

- 1 Jeff worked here for ten years.
- 2 Jerry has worked here for five years.
- 3 Jenny has worked here since January.

- 6 3.3 Listen again and answer the questions using the Present Perfect and *for* or *since*. In pairs, check your answers.

- 1 How many jobs has Magnus had since he left school?
He's had sixteen jobs since he left school.
- 2 How long has he had his current job?
- 3 How long has Ellie lived in Japan?
- 4 Has she had a holiday recently?
- 5 How long has Dylan been away from Ireland?
- 6 How long has he been a lifeguard?
- 7 Has he seen his family recently?

- 7 Rewrite the sentences with the Present Perfect and *for*, *since* or *How long*.

- 1 Barry lost his job in January.
Barry has been out of work since January.
- 2 I started working here four months ago.
- 3 How long ago did you become a teacher?
- 4 Josh went into the interview at ten and now it's eleven.
- 5 My dad's fifty years old. He's been a policeman for twenty-five years.

- 8 **SPEAKING** In pairs, ask and answer questions in the Present Perfect. Use *How long*, the prompts below and your own ideas.

be here study at this school have this English book
mum/dad have his/her job

A *How long have you been here?*

B *I've been here for thirty minutes.*

A *I've been here since ten o'clock.*