

2A GRAMMAR present perfect simple and continuous

- a** Complete the dialogue with the verbs in parentheses in the present perfect simple or continuous. Sometimes both tenses are possible.



- DOCTOR** So, what seems to be the problem?
- PATIENT** Well, for about a week now I 've been feeling very dizzy. I even thought I was going to faint once or twice. (**feel**)
- DOCTOR** I see. ² _____ as usual? (**you / eat**)
- PATIENT** Well, to tell you the truth I ³ _____ much of an appetite recently. I'm just not hungry. (**not have**)
- DOCTOR** You need to eat regularly, you know, even if you're not hungry.
- PATIENT** I know, but I ⁴ _____ to eat anything recently. (**not want**).
- DOCTOR** Hmm. Any other symptoms? ⁵ _____ headaches or any other aches or pains? (**you / have**)
- PATIENT** Well, I ⁶ _____ my blood pressure three times this week, and it's a little bit high. (**take**)
- DOCTOR** I'll check that in a minute. ⁷ _____ harder than usual? (**you / work**)
- PATIENT** Yes, I suppose I have. This is a very important time of the year for us and things ⁸ _____ incredibly busy recently. I ⁹ _____ home very late, and to be honest, I ¹⁰ _____ very well for the last few days. (**be, get, not sleep**)
- DOCTOR** I think you ¹¹ _____. I want you to take a week off work and have a complete rest. (**overwork**)
- PATIENT** I couldn't possibly take a week off right now. I ¹² _____ to head of the department. (**just / be promote**).
- DOCTOR** Well, I'm afraid they'll just have to manage without you. You can't take risks with your health.

- b** Write questions with either the present perfect simple or continuous.

- 1 How long have you had your phone? (**have**)
- 2 _____ you ever _____ in an accident? (**be injure**)
- 3 How long _____ you _____ to this school? (**come**)
- 4 How many classes _____ you _____ this year? (**miss**)
- 5 How long _____ you _____ in your current home? (**live**)
- 6 _____ you ever _____ abroad? (**study**)

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- c** Work with a partner. Ask and answer the questions in **b**. Ask your partner for more information.