ENGLISH GRAMMAR UNIT: PRESENT PERFECT CONTINUOUS & PRESENT PERFECT SIMPLE

PART 1: Present Perfect Continuous

Instructions: Choose the option (a, b, c, or d) that correctly completes the sentence with the appropriate verb in the Present Perfect Continuous form.

1. **Her eyes are red and teary because she _____ onions in the kitchen.**

   a) has been cutting

   b) have been cutting

   c) have been slicing

   d) is cutting

2. **The floor is covered in wood dust because my brother _____ the furniture all morning.**

   a) has sanded

   b) have been sanding

   c) is sanding

   d) has been sanding

3. **How long _____ for your missing keys in the garden?**

   a) you have been searching

   b) has you been looking

   c) have you been searching

   d) are you searching

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4. **They _____ for their final exams since 8:00 AM without a break.**

   a) has been revising

   b) have been studying

   c) are studying

   d) have studied

5. **We _____ non-fiction books lately; we prefer reading novels.**

   a) haven't been reading

   b) hasn't been reading

   c) aren't reading

   d) haven't read

6. **Why is your shirt wet? _____ the dog in the yard?**

   a) Are you bathing

   b) You have been washing

   c) Has you been cleaning

   d) Have you been bathing

7. **My knees hurt because I _____ flowers in the garden all afternoon.**

   a) am planting

   b) has been planting

   c) have been planting

   d) have planted

8. **The plumber _____ to fix the leaking pipe for two hours, but it's still dripping.**

   a) have been trying

   b) has been trying

   c) is trying

   d) has tried

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9. **She _____ video games recently because she wants to spend more time outdoors.**

   a) hasn't been playing

   b) haven't been playing

   c) isn't playing

   d) hasn't played

10. **Listen! The neighbors _____ about something for the last twenty minutes.**

    a) has been arguing

    b) are arguing

    c) have been arguing

    d) have argued

PART 2: Present Perfect Simple vs. Continuous

Instructions: Select the option (a, b, c, or d) that correctly completes the sentence using either the Present Perfect Simple or Present Perfect Continuous.

1. **I _____ my room all morning, but I _____ cleaning the bathroom yet.**

   a) have been cleaning / haven't started

   b) have cleaned / haven't been starting

   c) am cleaning / don't start

   d) clean / hasn't started

2. **How many chapters of that book _____ so far today?**

   a) have you been reading

   b) are you reading

   c) do you read

   d) have you read

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3. **My father _____ three cars this month.**

   a) has been repairing

   b) is repairing

   c) has repaired

   d) repairs

4. **Look at your hands! You are covered in mud! What _____?**

   a) have you done

   b) have you been doing

   c) do you do

   d) are you doing

5. **We _____ in this apartment since 2019.**

   a) have been living

   b) live

   c) are living

   d) lived

6. **She _____ that famous actor twice this year.**

   a) has been meeting

   b) is meeting

   c) meets

   d) has met

7. **My laptop is very hot because I _____ graphics-heavy games all afternoon.**

   a) have played

   b) have been playing

   c) play

   d) am playing

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8. **He _____ his passport, so he cannot board the plane!**

   a) has been losing

   b) loses

   c) is losing

   d) has lost

9. **They _____ the new bridge for six months, but it isn't ready yet.**

   a) build

   b) have built

   c) have been building

   d) are building

10. **I _____ to call the dentist four times this morning, but the line is always busy.**

    a) have been trying

    b) try

    c) have tried

    d) am trying

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PART 3: Cloze Passage

Instructions: Read the passage below and select the correct option (a, b, c, or d) for each blank space.



Lucas is a marine biologist. For the last five years, he **(1)** _____ marine life off the coast of Australia. Lately, his team **(2)** _____ on a project to protect local coral reefs. So far, they **(3)** _____ over 2,000 coral fragments into protected underwater nurseries. However, they **(4)** _____ their target for the season yet.

Today, Lucas is completely exhausted because he **(5)** _____ deep under water for more than four hours. His feet are sore and his skin is dry because he **(6)** _____ heavy diving gear all morning.

Despite the physical exhaustion, Lucas **(7)** _____ a deep love for the ocean since he was a young boy. During his career, he **(8)** _____ several scientific awards for his conservation efforts. Currently, his research team **(9)** _____ data to publish a new report. They **(10)** _____ underwater samples since 6:00 AM, and they hope to finish by evening.

Question	Option A	Option B	Option C	Option D
1	has been studying	has studied	is studying	studied
2	has been working	have been working	works	worked
3	plant	have been planting	Have planted	planted
4	haven't reached	haven't been reaching	didn't reach	don't reach
5	has been diving	has dived	dives	is diving
6	Has worn	has been wearing	wears	is wearing
7	feels	has been feeling	has felt	is feeling
8	has win	has been winning	wins	Has won
9	has been analyzing	has analyzed	analyzes	analyzed
10	have been collecting	have collected	collect	are collecting

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