

## Grammar present perfect simple and continuous

a Complete the dialogue with the verbs in brackets in the present perfect simple or continuous.



DOCTOR So, what seems to be the problem?

PATIENT Well, for about a week now I <sup>1</sup>'ve been feeling quite dizzy. I even thought I was going to faint once or twice. (feel)

DOCTOR I see. <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ normally? (you / eat)

PATIENT Well, to tell you the truth I <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ much of an appetite recently. I'm just not hungry. (not have)

DOCTOR You need to try to eat regularly, you know, even if you're not hungry.

PATIENT I know, but I <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ to eat anything. (not want)

DOCTOR Hmm. Any other symptoms? <sup>5</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ headaches or any other aches or pains? (you / have)

PATIENT Well, I <sup>6</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ my blood pressure three times this week, and it's a little bit high. (take)

DOCTOR I'll check that in a minute. <sup>7</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ harder than usual? (you / work)

PATIENT Yes, I suppose I have. This is a very important time of the year for us and things <sup>8</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ incredibly busy recently. I <sup>9</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ home very late, and to be honest I <sup>10</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ very well for the last few days. (be, get, not sleep)

DOCTOR I think you <sup>11</sup>\_\_\_\_\_. I want you to take a week off work, and have a complete rest. (overwork)

PATIENT I can't possibly have a week off at the moment. I <sup>12</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ to head of department. (just / be promote)

DOCTOR Well, I'm afraid they'll just have to manage without you. You can't play around with your health.

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

1 I didn't know Agnes was ill. How long has she been in hospital? (be)

2 Sorry I'm late! How long \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_? (wait)

3 So Jack is your oldest friend? How long \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ him? (know)

4 Is that your new car! How long \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ it? (have)

5 Your English is very good. How long \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ it? (learn)

6 I haven't seen you before. How long \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ to this school? (come)