ELF2: Lesson 68 (LANGUAGE AWARENESS)

(TB) THEME: People and Culture	TOPIC: Grammar – Present Perfect + for and since
(Pulse 2 Unit 8: Good Luck, Bad Luck ; p. 86	

1 Study the table. Complete the sentences with *for* or *since*. Look at the article on page 85 (Pulse 2 Student's Book) to check your answers.

1. Superstitions have been part of sport _____ it began.
2. Some footballers have worn the same pair of socks _____ many weeks.

Present perfect + for and since

- We use ***for*** and ***since*** with the present perfect to talk about ***a period of time up to the present***.
- We use ***for*** when we are talking about the ***length of time*** up to the present.

I've been in the team **for** three years.

- We use ***since*** when we state the ***starting point*** of the period of time up to the present.

I've been in the team **since** 2012.
I've been in the team **since** I was 13.

2 Complete the table below with the time expressions in the box.

two hours	yesterday	five minutes	last week
a few days	10th june	many years	1995
my birthday	she was a student		a long time

Time expression with since	Time expressions with for



Look at the sentence and answer the questions

Anna and Jack have been friends since they were four.

Q: When did Anna and Jack first become friends?

A: _____

Q: Are they still friends now?

A: _____

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

1 The modern Olympic Games have existed _____ 1896
2 England hasn't won the World Cup _____ a long time.
3 Table tennis has been an Olympic sport _____ 1988.
4 Our town has had a sports stadium _____ last year.
5 Juan has been a Málaga supporter _____ seven year.

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4 Write questions using *How long ...?* and the present perfect.	**LOOK!** ***How long ...?* with the present perfect** How long has Jo been a swimming teacher? She's been a swimming teacher for ten years. She's been a swimming teacher since she was 18.
Example. you / be at this school?	How long have you been at this school?
1. you / have a mobile phone?	
2. you / live in your town?	
3. your parents / know each other?	
4. computers / exist?	

5 Complete the answers to the questions in exercise 4. (Give your own answers.)
1. I've been at this school since _____.
2. I've had a mobile phone for _____.
3. I've lived in this town for _____.
4. My parents have known each other for _____.
5. Computers have existed since _____.

6 Choose the correct answers.



Lucy: You look happy. What (1) **'s / 've** happened?

Nina: I've (2) **won / win** a game of chess against Adam Green!

Lucy: Who's Adam Green?

Nina: He's (3) **been / was** the school champion (4) **since / for** two years.

Lucy: How long (5) **you've / have you** been in the chess team?

Nina: Only (6) **for / since** January.

Lucy: Well done!

Nina: Oh look … he's (7) **send / sent** me a message.

Lucy: What does it say?

Nina: Congratulations! You (8) **got / 've got** better since we last (9) **have played / played** !

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