

LESSON 20: PRESENT PERFECT & PRESENT PERFECT CONTINUOUS

Exercise 1: Tick the correct tense: Present perfect (PP) or Present perfect continuous (PPC). Then put the verbs in the correct forms.

| Sentences | PP | PPC |
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| 1. I _____ (prepare) a big dinner, so you can come over. | | |
| 2. I _____ (prepare) a big dinner, so all my pans are dirty. | | |
| 3. He _____ (work) as a nurse for many years. | | |
| 4. She _____ (study) Chinese since I was 8 years old. | | |
| 5. Have you always _____ (hate) garlic? | | |
| 6. Thanks for the recipe book! We _____ (try) two different recipes so far. | | |
| 7. We _____ (try) to call the internet company all morning but I can't get through. | | |
| 8. I'm quite worried about Max. She _____ (not sleep) well recently. | | |
| 9. Don't worry. They _____ (do) several projects like this. | | |
| 10. _____ (they, watch) the movie yet? | | |
| No, they _____. | | |

Exercise 2: Read and choose the correct answers.

3. Have _____ called you yet?
 A. your parent B. your parents C. you parents

4. They have been convincing her to move out _____.
 A. already B. yet C. recently

5. Have you _____ this soup? Yes, I have.
 A. tasted B. been tasting C. been tasted

6. Frank has sunburnt because he _____ under the sun the whole afternoon.
 A. has sunbathing B. has sunbathed C. has been sunbathing

7. Sorry Jane, I am so late. How long _____ for me?
 A. have you waited B. have you been waiting C. are you waiting

Exercise 3: Complete the sentences with the correct form of the **present perfect or **present perfect continuous**.**

1. It _____ (snow) for over an hour. My children are excited because this is the first time that they _____ (see) snow.

2. We _____ (not arrive) at the hotel yet even though we _____ (drive) for hours.

3. Look at your clothes. Why are they so dirty? What _____ (you, do) in the garden, Jimmy?

4. David _____ (just buy) a new pair of jeans.

5. People _____ (complain) all morning because of the noise.

6. Why _____ (you, not pay) your tuition fee yet? Do you need help?

7. I _____ (not talk) you for ages! How are things for you?

8. We _____ (visit) ten museums since we arrived here in Rome.

9. I think Miranda _____ (cry). That's why her eyes are so red.

10. My dad _____ (look) for a new apartment since Monday, but he _____ (not find) anything yet.

Exercise 4: Use the given words to make meaningful sentences with the correct tense (Present perfect** or **Present perfect continuous**).**

1. I / type / three emails / this afternoon.

2. My dad / not be / to a party / since his birthday.

3. the boys / play / video games / since this morning?

4. I think / I / hear / this song / before.

5. My mom / paint / the kitchen / all day, but it / not finish / yet.

6. Why / Carol / act / weird / lately?

Exercise 5: Complete the dialogue using the verbs in the brackets. Use **Present perfect or **Present perfect continuous** forms.**

Laura and Mary are chatting on the phone ...

Laura: Hey, I heard your mum is in Dubai.

Mary: Yeah. She ¹ _____ (travel) a lot recently. Now she is in Dubai but next week, she is going to China. Why are you asking about her?

Laura: Oh, my Chinese teacher ² _____ (give, just) me some homework to interview an interesting person and translated it into Chinese. And I want to interview your mom.

Mary: I see. My mom ³ _____ (be, already) to a lot of places, so I guess she has a lot to tell you.

Laura: I remember that she ⁴ _____ (win) some awards, right?

Mary: She ⁵ _____ (not win) any awards. I think you are thinking of someone else.

Laura: I guess so. Can you give me her phone number, so I can call her later?

Mary: Sure. Enough about my mom. What ⁶ _____ (you, do) lately? I ⁷ _____ (not see) you for weeks.

Laura: I'm good. I'm just very busy with my school. Maybe we can hang out this weekend.

Mary: That sounds good. I ⁸ _____ (bake) cookies all morning. I will save some for you. Oh, ⁹ _____ (you, hear) about Jenny? She ¹⁰ _____ (train) to join the Master Chef Junior.

Laura: Really? Tell me more about that when we meet. I have to go now.

Mary: Ok, sure. See you this weekend. Bye!