



TEST: FOR OR SINCE

12.1 Write for or since.

- 1 It's been raining since lunchtime.
- 2 Paul has lived in Brazil for ten years.
- 3 I'm tired of waiting. We've been sitting here for an hour.
- 4 Kevin has been looking for a job since he left school.
- 5 I haven't been to a party for ages.
- 6 I wonder where Joe is. I haven't seen him for last week.
- 7 Jane is away on holiday. She's been away since Friday.
- 8 The weather is dry. It hasn't rained for a few weeks.

12.2 Look at each answer and choose the right question.

- 1 How long have they been married?
When did they get married?
Ten years ago.
(When did they get married? is correct)
- 2 How long have you had this car?
When did you buy this car?
About five years.
- 3 How long have you been waiting?
When did you get here?
Only a few minutes.
- 4 How long have you been doing your course?
When did your course start?
September.
- 5 How long has Anna been in London?
When did Anna arrive in London?
Last week.
- 6 How long have you known each other?
When did you first meet each other?
A long time.

12.3 Read the situations and complete the sentences.

- 1 It's raining. It's been raining since lunchtime. It started raining at lunchtime.
- 2 Ann and Jess are friends. They first met years ago. They've known each other for years.
- 3 Mark is unwell. He became ill on Sunday. He has been ill Sunday.
- 4 Sarah is married. She's been married for a year. She got married.
- 5 You have a headache. It started when you woke up.
I've woken up. I woke up.
- 6 Sue is in a meeting at work. It's been going on since 9 o'clock.
The meeting is still going on at 9 o'clock.
- 7 You're working in a hotel. You started working there six months ago.
I've been working.
- 8 Kate is learning Japanese. She's been doing this for a long time.
Kate started learning Japanese.

12.4 Complete B's sentences.

A

- 1 Do you often go on holiday?
- 2 Have you seen Lisa recently?
- 3 Do you still go swimming regularly?
- 4 Do you still ride a bike these days?

B

- 1 No, I haven't had a holiday for five years.
- 2 No, I haven't seen Lisa for about a month.
- 3 No, I haven't gone swimming for a long time.
- 4 No, I haven't ridden a bike for ages.

Now write B's answers again. This time use It's ... since ...

- 5 (1) No, it's five years since I last had a holiday.
- 6 (2) No, it's ...
- 7 (3) No, it's ...
- 8 (4) It's ...