# Empower B1+ U2B

## 1 GRAMMAR Present perfect simple and continuous

**a** Complete the sentences with the present perfect continuous form of the verbs in the box. Use contractions where possible.

| cry | learn | go | post | wait | read | cook | ~~play~~ |
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1 I feel exhausted because I *'ve been playing* tennis all afternoon.
2 We _____ at the station for half an hour but my dad's train hasn't arrived yet.
3 She _____ a lot of messages on Facebook lately.
4 My eyes feel really tired. I _____ all day.
5 Dad _____ for hours. He's made an enormous meal.
6 You look really upset. _____ you _____?
7 My kids _____ Spanish for four years and now they can understand nearly everything.
8 How long _____ Neil _____ out with his girlfriend?

**b** Underline the correct verb forms to complete the sentences and questions.

1 *Dan's been using* / *Dan's used* his phone a lot recently to take photos of his children.
2 *I've been installing* / *I've installed* the new program and it's working perfectly.
3 Have you *been turning off* / *turned off* your phone? The film's starting now.
4 My computer *hasn't been working* / *hasn't worked* properly recently. I think something's wrong.
5 *You've been playing* / *You've played* that computer game all afternoon. Can you stop for five minutes, please?
6 How long have you *been waiting* / *waited* for your computer to install that weather app?
7 *I've been having* / *I've had* this tablet for three years and it still works perfectly.
8 *We've been trying* / *We've tried* to call Fiona on her mobile phone all day but she's not answering.

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