PRESENT PERFECT SIMPLE OR CONTINUOUS

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HAVE/HAS + PAST PARTICIPLE

We are interested in the RESULT of the action.
The room was grey and now it's blue.
*I've painted the bedroom. (You don't know when)
Uses: to say how much we've done, how many things or how many times but we don't say when we did the action. Also for news:
*Peter has bought a new car.
*I have played tennis twice this week.

PRESENT PERFECT CONT.

HAVE/HAS+BEEN+VERB/ING

We are interested in the ACTION itself
My clothes are covered in paint.
*I've been painting the room. (Recent action)
Uses: to say how long something has been happening.
*How long has she been reading?
*She has been reading since ten o'clock.
And she's still reading.

Exercise 1 **Fill the gaps with the correct for of the verb.**







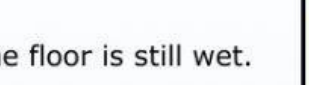












1-She's a fantastic swimmer but she _____ (never win) an medal.
2-Peter _____ (visit) so many American cities so far.
3-I need a rest. I _____ (run) for four hours.
4-How long _____ (you wait) for me? Just ten minutes.
5-Look! Somebody _____ (break) that vase. Be careful, don't cut yourself.
6-I _____ (learn) English for two years and my English is improving.
7-You look sweaty. _____ (cut) the grass?
8-My sister _____ (live) in a house all her life.
9-I'm tired. I _____ (play) football all morning.
10-Your eyes look red. _____ (be)to the eye specialist?
11-What a lovely smell. _____ (bake) a cake?
12-Sara _____ (phone) me twice this morning.
13-_____ (write) emails all morning?
14-Sue _____ (buy) a new computer. Do you like it?

Exercise 2 **Choose the correct option.**

1-My sister ***has had/has been having*** a shower for twenty minutes. The floor is still wet.
2-Hi Tom! I ***haven't seen/haven't been seeing*** you for ages!
3-Michael ***has learnt/has been learning*** French for three months and he loves it.
4-Melissa ***has bought/has been buying*** a new dress for the party.
5-What are you doing? –'I ***have watched/have been watching*** television since I arrived'.
6-Do you like my living room? I ***have put/have been putting*** new curtains.
7-I'm not very well. I ***have been/ have been being*** to the doctor's twice this week.
8-Sorry, I'm late. How long ***have you sat/have you been sitting*** here?
9-Carol ***has seen/has been seing*** this film many times. She loves it.
10-She's a good dancer. She ***has won/has been winning*** two championships already.
11-Sam is not here. He's gone. He ***has travelled/has been travelling*** for months.
12-Look at my jacket. I ***have had/have been having*** it for only three days.

LIVEWORKSHEETS