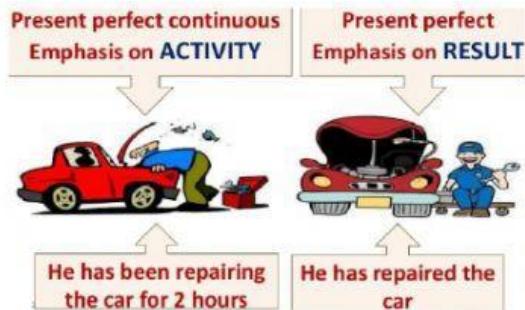
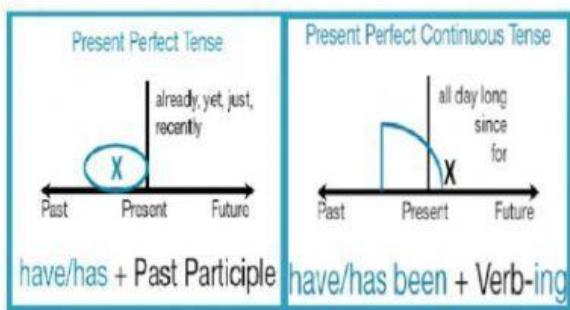


PRESENT PERFECT SIMPLE OR PRESENT PERFECT CONTINUOUS



Present perfect

We use Present Perfect Simple for:

- completed actions, when we are talking about some result.
I've set up a Twitter account. Will you follow me?
- when we say how often something has happened recently
Our team has won three times this season.
- with verbs that are not used in Continuous tenses
I've had this smart phone for 2 years already.

Complete the sentences with the present perfect continuous form of the verbs in brackets and *for* or *since*.

- 1 She _____ (collect) badges _____ ten years. She's got thousands!
- 2 _____ (you / learn) Japanese _____ a long time?
- 3 I'm going home. I _____ (not feel) well _____ this morning.
- 4 My sister _____ (drink) coffee _____ most of the evening and now she can't sleep!
- 5 I don't know why he's being so impatient. He _____ (not wait) _____ long.
- 6 I should do well in my exams. I _____ (work) hard _____ the start of term.

Complete the replies with the present perfect simple or present perfect continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 A Have you finished that history project?
B No, I haven't. And I _____ (do) it all day!
- 2 A Why are your hands so dirty?
B I _____ (try) to repair my bike.
- 3 A Did your brother forget about football practice?
B Yes. And I _____ (remind) him three times this week!

Present Perfect Continuous

We use Present Perfect Continuous for:

- an action that started in the past and is still in progress
I've been working a lot this semester.
(we often use *FOR* and *SINCE* to say how long the action has been in progress)
- for an action that has recently been in progress and which explains the current situation
You're sweating. Yes, I've been running for half an hour.

Circle the correct answers.

- 1 You're two hours late! What ___ all afternoon?
a have you done b have you been doing
- 2 This farm ___ to our family for two centuries.
a has belonged b has been belonging
- 3 'I sent you an email.' 'Really? I ___ it.'
a haven't received b haven't been receiving
- 4 Is Tom OK? I ___ him three times this week, but he hasn't replied.
a 've texted b 've been texting
- 5 ___ my popcorn? The box is half empty!
a Have you eaten b Have you been eating
- 6 Is dinner ready yet? You ___ for hours!
a 've cooked b 've been cooking
- 7 I'm really enjoying this novel, but I ___ all of it.
a haven't understood b haven't been understanding
- 8 My dad ___ his car. He goes everywhere by bike now.
a has sold b has been selling

- 4 A Did you write a letter to the town council?
B Yes, but I _____ (not send) it.
- 5 A Are those potatoes ready yet?
B No, they aren't. How long _____ (we / cook) them?
- 6 A Has Billy replied to your messages yet?
B No, he hasn't. And I _____ (text) him five times!