

## 2A GRAMMAR present perfect simple and continuous

a Complete the conversation with the verbs in parentheses in the present perfect simple or continuous.



**Doctor** Mrs. Jones! Would you like to come through now, please?

**Patient** Oh, thank goodness! I <sup>1</sup>'ve been waiting (**wait**) for ages.

**Doctor** Yes, sorry about that. We <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (**be**) extremely busy all morning. Now then, <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (**I / not see**) you this week already, Mrs. Jones?

**Patient** Yes, doctor. Actually, this is the third time I <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (**come**) to see you this week. I was last here on Wednesday. <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (**you / forget**)? I had a terrible sore throat. Anyway, I took your advice and I <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (**drink**) plenty of water and I <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (**not talk**) too much.

**Doctor** Right, and <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (**your throat / hurt**) less since then?

**Patient** Oh, yes. It feels much better now.

**Doctor** Ah, that's great news. So, ...

**Patient** Well, yes, it is, but now I've got a more serious problem with my foot. It <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (**be**) swollen since yesterday and I <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (**not be able**) to walk on it properly.

**Doctor** OK. If you could just lie down here on the...

**Patient** I think maybe I <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (**have**) an allergic reaction to something. I <sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (**take**) antihistamine tablets every four hours, but they <sup>13</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (**not make**) any difference.

**Doctor** Right, Mrs. Jones. If you would please lie down here on the couch, I'll take a look...hmm. Well, there really is absolutely nothing to worry about. It's just a blister.

**Patient** Really? Hmm. Well, I <sup>14</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (**just / buy**) these new shoes, so maybe they caused the problem.

**Doctor** Yes, I'd say that's very likely. Now, I'll put a bandage on it and I'm sure it'll be fine in a few days.

**Patient** Alright then. Thank you, doctor.

b Complete the questions with the verbs in parentheses in the present perfect simple or continuous.

1 How long have you had your phone? (**have**)

2 \_\_\_\_\_ you ever \_\_\_\_\_ in an accident? (**be injured**)

3 How long \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ to this school? (**come**)

4 How many classes \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ this year? (**miss**)

5 How long \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ in your current home? (**live**)

6 \_\_\_\_\_ you ever \_\_\_\_\_ abroad? (**study**)

### ACTIVATION

Work with a partner. Ask and answer the questions in b. Ask your partner for more information.