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GRAMMAR

Present Perfect Simple and Continuous

I can understand the difference between the Present Perfect Simple and Continuous.

1 Match 1–6 with a–f to make sentences.

1 Alexa has bought a
 2 We've been planning
 3 Mum and Dad have told
 4 I've made
 5 John and Sarah have known
 6 Tom has been wearing

a each other since primary school.
 b wig for the party.
 c me to wear smarter clothes.
 d a necklace. Do you like it?
 e that tracksuit all weekend.
 f the fashion show for weeks.

2 Choose the correct option to complete the comments. Then mark the sentences PPS (Present Perfect Simple) or PPC (Present Perfect Continuous).

Gemma Fox: Hi, everyone! Come and celebrate my birthday on Saturday 16 August. I'm having a fancy-dress party, so plan your costume in advance!

1 James Stirling: I have had / 've been having an old tracksuit for years! I'll come as an athlete from the 2000s. PPS

2 Kylie Bishop: My boyfriend Gary has bought / has been buying a new suit. Gary, I think you should go as the Prime Minister! _____

3 Sarah Clarkson: In the costume shop now. I 've tried / 've been trying on costumes for an hour and I just can't decide what to wear! _____

4 Claire Watts: How long have you known / have you been knowing Gemma, Sarah? See you at the party! _____

5 Harry Knowles: Ugh, I haven't finished / haven't been finished all my exams yet and my mum won't let me go. _____

6 Julia Case: I 've been looking forward / 've looked forward to this for ages! Definitely coming! ☺ _____

3 Complete the sentences with the Present Perfect Simple or Present Perfect Continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

1 How long have you been dyeing (you/dye) your hair?
 2 Ed _____ (look for) a new suit for ages.
 3 How long _____ (you/have) those boots?
 4 I _____ (not post) anything on social media for weeks.
 5 Sally _____ (wear) sandals all summer.

4 Use the prompts to write sentences. Use the Present Perfect Simple or Present Perfect Continuous.

1 I / send / three emails / today
I've sent three emails today.

2 how long / you / have / dyed hair / ?

3 Jia / wear / glasses / January

4 how long / you / study / fashion / ?

5 Mark and Jill / like / heavy metal music / years

5 Complete the text with the Present Perfect Simple or Present Perfect Continuous form of the verbs below.

I be buy make recycle send use wear

Action Point Clothing

You 've bought a new jacket because you 2 _____ your old one for years. Do you throw your old jacket away or take it to a charity shop?

Action Point Clothing in south London has the answer. They 3 _____ old clothes for years. They 4 _____ over 200 new items of clothing by transforming old clothes into modern ones. What's more, they 5 _____ half of their profits to train young people to design clothes.

So how does it work? 'We started off with a fashion design competition for young people and then used the winning designs on the clothes we received to make them fashionable again,' says company CEO Laura Bauer. 'Since then, there 6 _____ no shortage of new designs. The people at our school 7 _____ us new designs every week!'