

## present perfect continuous

**2 A** Complete the sentences with the present perfect continuous form of the verbs in brackets. Use contractions where possible.

- 1 Maria ..... (work) here for about forty years. She started when she was twenty one.
- 2 I ..... (try) to give up eating crisps, but I just can't resist them!
- 3 We ..... (live) in Bristol for about three years. We love it here!
- 4 You should take a break. You ..... (look) at your computer screen all morning.
- 5 Zuzanna is really good at the piano. How long ..... (she / play)?
- 6 Recently, I ..... (make) an effort to go to bed early. I feel much better.
- 7 We haven't been for a walk yet. It ..... (rain) all day.
- 8 Have you ..... (listen to) Jack Wilson's new podcast? It's so interesting!

**B**  The sentences below have a mistake. Choose the best option to correct the mistake.

- 1 I've been knowing my best friend since we were five.  
a I knew      b I know      c I've known
- 2 I'm exhausted! I been working all morning!  
a I've been working  
b I work  
c I've working
- 3 Maxime lives here for five years.  
a been living  
b is living  
c has been living
- 4 I have these boots for ten years. They're a bit damaged now.  
a I've been having  
b I've had  
c I'm having