

1 Read the three sentences below.

*The Thomke family **came** to America from Switzerland 40 years ago and **started** a business. (1)*

***Since** the 1980s they **have been** extremely successful. (2)*

*In fact, **for** the last five years, they **have been** the market leader in their field. (3)*

- a** Which of the sentences above refers to:
a point in time? ☐ a period of time? ☐ both? ☐
- b** Which two pieces of information are basically **history**?
Which tense is used?
- c** Which two pieces of information are most relevant to
the family's **current success**? Which tense is used?