

## 2A GRAMMAR present perfect simple and continuous

a Complete the conversation with the verbs in brackets 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 plaster 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 brackets 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)