

Lesson 2

1 Read.



I've cooked lunch and I've been waiting for you since twelve o'clock. Where have you been?

I've been stuck on the road. There's been a heavy snowfall and the car has broken down.

Present perfect simple and present perfect continuous

We use the **present perfect simple** to talk about a recently completed action. We emphasise the result of the action.

*Karen **has cooked** dinner.*

We also use the **present perfect simple** to say how many times an action has happened. *I've **seen** a lizard three times.*

We use the **present perfect continuous** to talk about an action that has some duration. We emphasise the action. It doesn't matter if it has finished or not. *Mum **has been writing** a book recently.*

2 Complete the sentences with the present perfect simple or the present perfect continuous. Use the verbs in brackets.

- 1 I _____ just _____ some money in my pocket! (find)
- 2 You _____ enough fruit and vegetables lately. (not eat)
- 3 We _____ the new Grand Egyptian Museum yet. (not visit)
- 4 Julie _____ just _____ an article about the environment. (finish)
- 5 Peter _____ computer games all afternoon. (not play)
- 6 The wildfires _____ for more than three weeks now. (burn)