

UNIT 1. PERFECT TENSES.

- 1** Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Use the Present Perfect Continuous or Past Perfect Continuous. Type the answers. Then check.

- 1 We (wait) here for three hours. When is the plane going to take off?
- 2 They (come) here for years. They love Greece.
- 3 Before the hotel closed down, it (welcome) guests for over 80 years.
- 4 I love it here in Italy. I (practise) my Italian in shops and restaurants.
- 5 When we arrived, it was obvious that it (rain) for several hours.

2. Write QUESTIONS using the words below.

- 1 How long / you / learn / English?

- 2 How long / you / learn / English before you started this school?

- 3 How many / countries / you / visit / so far?

- 4 How many countries / you / visit / before you were 10?

- 5 How long / you / read / this book?

- 6 How many pages / you / read / so far?

3. Complete both sentences with the correct form of the verbs in capitals.

1 REVISE

- a I all morning.

- b My head was aching because I all day.

2 TRAVEL

- a We for hours and we still haven't arrived.

- b By the time we arrived, we for 17 hours!

3 TALK

- a The guide for five minutes before he realised someone was missing.

- b You for ages. Switch off your phone and come and have dinner.

4 SHOP

- a We for ages. Can't we go home?

- b Jenny all morning, but she still hadn't found what she was looking for.

4 Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Use a Perfect Simple or Continuous tense. Type the answers. Then check.

A report says that 80% of British people ¹ (stay) in a holiday resort more than once and that, on average, each person goes to their favourite holiday destination six times in their lifetime. What's more, most of them go back to the same hotels and restaurants year after year. I'm here at one of Britain's busiest airports and I ² (interview) holidaymakers about their plans.

The Newton family are fairly typical. They ³ (visit) Gran Canaria for the last six years and they ⁴ (look) forward to going there again ever since they arrived home last August. Now they are on their way.

"Was it an easy decision?"

"Yes. We like meeting the same people and eating in the same restaurants. It's like visiting family.

Before we went to Gran Canaria the first time, I ⁵ (never / hear) of it.

I didn't know where it was. I ⁶ (not look) at an atlas or anything.

I ⁷ (work) really hard and it was my first holiday abroad. I

⁸ (not / even / fly) in a plane before! Now, I have a map of the Canary Islands on my bedroom wall. I ⁹ (stare) at it for the last three weeks! I

¹⁰ (also / learn) Spanish for the last few months. Sorry, we have to go. We don't want to miss our plane!"

5- Rewrite the sentences with the word in brackets. Use a PERFECT SIMPLE or CONTINUOUS TENSE

1 He left five minutes ago. (just)

2 He hasn't stopped calling this morning. (all)

3 Is this your first time here? (before)

4 I started playing in a band five years ago. (for)

5 It took months of saving. Then I was able to buy a car. (before)

6 She was too impatient to wait for us to arrive, so she left. (by the time)