



UNIT 5 – GRAMMAR #1

NAME: _____ DATE: _____

Present perfect with *for* and *since*

I've	studied	here	for	six years.	<i>haven't = have not</i> <i>hasn't = has not</i>
They haven't	taken	a math test	since	last year.	
The sports store has	been	open	since	2014.	
Kitesurfing hasn't	been	popular	for	many years.	

for + a period of time *since* + a point in time

Use the present perfect for a past action that continues up to now.

1 Read. Write *for* or *since*.

1. Skiing equipment has been on sale _____ last summer.
2. They have played soccer _____ five years.
3. Has he done kitesurfing _____ more than a year?
4. Hang-gliding has interested me _____ I was ten.
5. She has had few injuries _____ she started skiing.
6. Have you done extreme sports _____ you were a kid?

2 Read and write. Complete the sentences. Use a phrase from the box and *for* or *since*.

has not gone has studied have been have known have not been

1. They are still skateboarding now. They _____ have been _____ skateboarding _____ since _____ three o'clock.
2. He _____ English _____ two years.
3. I _____ how to ride a bike _____ I was three.
4. They stopped doing extreme sports. They _____ kitesurfing _____ last July.
5. He _____ skiing _____ several winters.



3 Look and write.



last August

He has been doing moto-
cross since last August.



four years old



three years



three hours

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Read and write. Use for or since. *Sample answers:*

1. How long have you lived in your house?

2. How long have you known your teacher?

3. What sport do you do? How long have you done it?

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Write. Ask and answer questions. Use for or since. *Sample answers:*

1. know / best friend

How long have you known your best friend?

I have known him since first grade.

2. go / this school

3. study / English
