

Language focus 2

Present perfect simple

1 ★ **Circle** the correct words in the table.

- | | |
|---|--|
| 1 | We can use the present perfect simple to talk about a series of actions in the past / present . |
| 2 | We often use the present perfect simple to ask about how many / how long . |

2 ★★ **Write present perfect simple sentences with the prompts.**

- pieces of pizza / you / eat?
How many pieces of pizza have you eaten?
- She / win / a lot of competitions

- We / make / three cakes for the party

- times / they / go / there?

- I / send / 100 texts / this week

- people / he / invite / to the birthday party?

Present perfect continuous

3 ★ **Complete the rules in the table.**

- | | |
|---|---|
| 1 | We use the present perfect continuous to refer to a time period that _____ finished. |
| 2 | We often use the present perfect continuous to ask about how _____. |
| 3 | We can use the present perfect continuous to refer to actions we expect to _____ in the future. |

4 ★★ **Complete the sentences with the present perfect continuous form of the verbs in the box.**

look run practise come go work

- My family _____ *has been coming* _____ to this campsite for ten years.
- She _____ the piano every night for the concert.
- We _____ on our project every weekend for weeks.
- My parents _____ for a new car for weeks.
- I _____ to the youth club for two months. It's great!
- David _____ in races since he was 10.

Present perfect simple vs. present perfect continuous

5 ★★★ **Your friend Callum does a lot of work with a charity. Answer the questions with full sentences using the words in brackets.**

- How many people have visited your charity's website this year, Callum? (about 100,000)
About 100,000 people have visited our website.
- How long have you been doing charity work? (every Saturday for two years)

- What activities have you been doing this year to make money? (parachute jumps and quizzes)

- How many parachute jumps have you organised? (four so far)

- Who has the charity been helping this year? (groups of children all over the country)

- How many children has the charity helped? (thousands)



6 ★★★ **Write questions with the present perfect simple and continuous. Answer them for you.**

- How many / films / you / watch / this week?

- How long / you / come / this school?

- you / learn English / a long time?

- How many times / you / look / your mobile phone / today?

*How many films have you watched this week?
I haven't watched any!*