

PRESENT PERFECT SIMPLE VS PRESENT PERFECT CONTINUOUS



RULES:

- Use the present perfect *continuous* to talk about an action that is not finished.
- Use the present perfect *simple* to stress the *finished result* of a completed activity and the *amount completed*.

Present perfect simple vs Present perfect continuous

Form

Present perfect simple

Regular

Have /has + past participle



- She **has watched** TV.

Irregular

- He **has written** a novel.

Present perfect continuous

Have/ has + been + verb+ing

- I **have been walking** the dog.
- She **has been learning** English for two years.

Read and complete.



1 Sarah more than 200 poems. She poems since she was eight.

2 I piano lessons for three years. I any piano exams yet.

3 I football since I was five. I for three different teams.

4 We films all evening. We three bags of popcorn between us.

5 Mum more than 100 sandwiches. she for the party all morning?

Read and complete.



Use the present perfect simple or the present perfect continuous.

1 He autographs since he was ten. He over 500. (collect)

2 Jade over 5,000 photos on her phone. She them ever since she bought it. (take)

3 Mum since 6 am. She over 400 km. (drive)

4 We for an hour. We more than 2 km! (swim)

5 Mr Bosworth more than 2,000 children. He since he was 22. (teach)

6 They apples all day. They hundreds! (pick)