

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)