

GRAMMAR

1 Complete the dialogues. Use the verbs in brackets in the present perfect simple or the past simple.

Example: I've been to Beijing, but I've never been (not / go) to Shanghai.

Petra 1 _____ (you / remember) to pay that cheque into the bank?

Alan Yes, it went in this morning.

Tom 2 _____ (you / ever / borrow) anyone's car?

Dave Yes, I borrowed my brother's and I crashed it!

Anna Hi, can I speak to Sally, please?

Beth I'm sorry, she³ _____ (just / go) out.

Doctor What seems to be the problem?

John I⁴ _____ (fall) over playing volleyball. I think I⁵ _____ (break) my finger.

Peter How long⁶ _____ (you / know) Mike?

Liz Well, we⁷ _____ (meet) in 2008 and we've been good friends ever since.

2 Underline the correct word or phrase.

Example: You've been working / worked hard for months – you need a holiday.

1 How long have you been saving up / do you save up for a motorbike?

2 He's learning / been learning Chinese for three years now.

3 I've been planning / planned my visit to the Amazon for years.

4 She's known / been knowing him for years.

5 Don't worry. I haven't been crying / cried – I've got a cold.

6 He's disliked / been disliking bananas since he was a child.

7 I've had / been having the same bank account since I was a student.

3 Complete the time expressions with *for* or *since*.

Example: for many years

1 ____ 2003

2 ____ we met in college

3 ____ a very long time

4 ____ the lesson began

5 ____ a couple of months

6 ____ Tuesday

VOCABULARY

4 Complete the sentences with the correct word(s).

1 You need to open a business _____ when you start your own business.
cash machine bank account phone bill

2 I think you'll _____ a lot of money selling clothes in this market.
do pay make

3 Felipe still _____ me the €100 I lent him last month.
owes charges borrows

4 I try to _____ some of my salary every month so that I can go travelling.
save afford cost

5 It's difficult to get a _____ from a bank during a recession.
contract loan tax

6 He _____ a lot of money from his grandmother when she died last year.
invested inherited took out

7 I'm trying not to _____ money on gadgets I will never use.
invest waste charge

8 My parents _____ me some money so I could buy a car.
borrowed owed lent

5 Complete the sentences with the correct preposition.

1 I'll lend you the money if you promise to pay it ____ by next month.

2 You really should avoid getting ____ too much debt.

3 I can't believe how much I spend ____ coffees!

4 For my last birthday my aunt gave me £50 ____ cash.

5 They charged us £10 ____ this theatre programme!

VOCABULARY strong adjectives

a Match the normal adjectives 1–14 to the strong adjectives a–n.

1 tired	_____	d	a amazed
2 surprised	_____	b	boiling
3 big	_____	c	delighted
4 cold	_____	d	exhausted
5 dirty	_____	e	filthy
6 funny	_____	f	freezing
7 happy	_____	g	furious
8 hot	_____	h	fascinating
9 hungry	_____	i	hilarious
10 interesting	_____	j	huge
11 small	_____	k	positive
12 sure	_____	l	starving
13 afraid	_____	m	terrified
14 angry	_____	n	tiny