

a) **REPHRASING.** Rewrite the sentences using the words given. Use between two and five words, including the word given.

1. I first came to the school three years ago. **ATTENDING**  
I \_\_\_\_\_ for three years.
2. John last visited Wendy 2 years ago. **NOT**  
John \_\_\_\_\_ 2 years.
3. I haven't had a music lesson for 6 months now. **LAST**  
I \_\_\_\_\_ 6 months ago.
4. I started my homework at 7 o'clock. **HAVE**  
I \_\_\_\_\_ homework since 7 o'clock.
5. This is my second visit to Peru. **TIME**  
This is the \_\_\_\_\_ Peru.
6. When did you start working for this company? **LONG**  
How \_\_\_\_\_ for this company?
7. I've spent all morning texting and my thumb hurts. **BEEN**  
My thumb hurts because \_\_\_\_\_ all morning.
8. I got this laptop in March. **HAD**  
I \_\_\_\_\_ March.
9. This will be her first professional match. **NEVER**  
She \_\_\_\_\_ professionally before
10. He's still working out after 2 hours. **HAS**  
He \_\_\_\_\_ 2 hours.
11. He keeps using my stuff, it's so annoying! **ALWAYS**  
He \_\_\_\_\_ my stuff.
12. I've never eaten such a tasty meal. **EVER**  
This is the tastiest \_\_\_\_\_ in my life.
13. When did you start working here? **LONG**  
How \_\_\_\_\_ here?
14. I got this car when I was 20. **SINCE**  
I \_\_\_\_\_ I was 20.
15. They haven't finished discussing the problem. **STILL**  
They \_\_\_\_\_ the problem.
16. It's four weeks since I last spoke to Paul. **NOT**  
I \_\_\_\_\_ for 4 weeks.

b) **VERB TENSES.** Put the verbs in brackets into the correct present forms.

Dear Greg and Christine,

I 1) \_\_\_\_\_ (write) to thank you for coming to our wedding reception last month. I hope you enjoyed yourselves.

Mark and I 2) \_\_\_\_\_ (just/return) from our trip to Kenya. We 3) \_\_\_\_\_ (recently/move) into our new house and since we returned we 4) \_\_\_\_\_ (spend) all our free time decorating. The house 5) \_\_\_\_\_ (actually/begin) to feel like home now and we 6) \_\_\_\_\_ (gradually/settle) into a routine. We 7) \_\_\_\_\_ (have) breakfast together in the morning, but then we 8) \_\_\_\_\_ (not/see) each other until late in the evening when we 9) \_\_\_\_\_ (get) home from work.

I hope both of you 10) \_\_\_\_\_ (be) well since we last saw you.

Best regards,

Mark and Sheila Roberts.