Alice's blog



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Salut les amis! Prêts pour votre leçon d'anglais ? C'est parti!

Well, I've been here in Northampton, Massachusetts for exactly six months. It's hard to believe because so much has happened. I was pretty nervous before we left France but it's been fine since my first day. I think I'm lucky - I made friends with a girl at school named Elise. She is Canadian from Quebec so she speaks both French and English. We take a lot of the same classes and we've got along really well since we met. It feels as if I've known her for years! She's introduced me to other people, too, and that makes a big difference.

Last weekend four of us decided to go to Berkshire East – it's a ski resort. It's just a forty-minute drive from Northampton. Elise's mum drove us. We skied for a few hours and then we had Mac & Cheese Bites at the Crazy Horse Bar and Grill! (see pics)

It's great here, but there's one thing I really miss. I haven't had good French cheese for a long time. Mind you, they produce good cheese here, but it's not the same, really.

OK, I have to stop and do my science homework. My books have been in my bag since Friday and I've done nothing for my test tomorrow. À+A.

A. Comprehension

Click on the correct answer.

1 Alice is writing to friends in
a) the U.S. b) France
2 She met Elise
a) before she left France
b) when she arrived in Northampton.
3 Alice and her friends went
a) skiing. b) shopping.
4 She a) has b) hasn't done any Science homework this weekend.
5 Alice is a) happy b) unhappy in her new home in Northampton.

What date did Alice arrive in Northampton?
Écris la date au format jj/mm/aaaa

B. Make – Do

Alice **made friends** with Elise and has **to do her homework**.

In French, do and make both mean "faire". But they have specific meanings and uses in English.

Complete the phrases with make or do.

make
1 an appointment
2 your best
3 a cup of coffee
4 a decision
5 a difference
6 some exercise
7 money
8 someone a favor
9 the housework
10 a meal
11 a mess
12 a mistake
13 a noise
14 nothing
15 some shopping
16 some work

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C. Grammar: Present perfect with for and since

Reminder : present perfect : has/have + past participle passé
= BV-ed
ou 3è colonne

I**'ve been** in Northampton **for exactly six months**.

Present perfect + for + durée

I **haven't heard** any football news **for a long time**.

Present perfect + for + durée

It**'s been** fine **since my first day**.

Present perfect + since + point de départ dans le temps

My books **have been** in my bag **since Friday**.

Present perfect + since + point de départ dans le temps

C1 Read the text again and answer the questions:
How many times does Alice use:
(Combien de fois Alice utilise-t-elle)
just the present perfect?

present perfect + for?

present perfect + since?

C2 For or since
Drag the words in the correct box.
(attention, glisse les mots dans l'ordre dans lequel ils apparaissent dans la liste)

for	since

- 1988 • a century • four years • June • ages
- we were children • a long time • two days • a week
- ten minutes • I met your mother • last month
- my birthday • this morning • eight o'clock

C3 For or since
Complete with for or since.

I've had these glasses November.

I haven't seen Emma two hours.

I've had these problems three months.

I haven't seen my brother last year.

We have been here two days.

We've lived here over a year.

She's known Simon two years.

They have been here they got sick.

He's lived here spring.

I've known my husband college.

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