

III. Put the verbs into the suitable form, the present perfect or the present perfect progressive.

1. A: How long _____ (you/ study) English?
B: I _____ (learn) English since I was twelve.
2. A: Are you waiting for someone?
B: Yes, I ____ (wait) for two hours, but my friend _____ (not come) yet.
3. A: I _____ (lose) my address book. _____ (you/ see) it anywhere?
B: Yes. I _____ (just/ see) it on the bookshelf.
4. A: You look tired. _____ (you/ work) so hard?
B: Yes. I _____ (study) for four hours and probably won't finish until midnight.
5. A: _____ (you/ see) Mark recently?
B: No, I _____ (not/ see) him since Christmas, I wonder where he _____ (live) since then.
6. A: I feel really tired.
B: It's because you _____ (do) too much.
A: Well, at least I _____ (finish) that report now, and I can relax.
7. A: Someone _____ (leave) the ladder outside, look.
B: I expect that's Mike. He _____ (clean) the windows. I don't think he _____ (finish) yet.
8. A: You've got mud on your shoes.
B: It's all right, I'll take them off. I _____ (work) in the garden.
A: Yes, it looks a lot tidier. Well done. You _____ (do) a good job.
9. A: I _____ (hear) that you and Harriet are building a garage. How long _____ (you/ do) that?
B: Oh, for about a month now. We _____ (do) about half of it.
10. A: You're still reading that book, aren't you? How long _____ (you/ read) it?
B: I _____ (read) it for three days, but I _____ (not/ finish) it yet.
11. A: How long _____ (you/ know) Jane?
B: We _____ (know) each other for over ten years.
12. A: _____ (John/ always/ live) in London?
B: No, he _____ (live) in London for the last few years.

IV. Supply the correct verb form: Present tenses.

1. Listen! I _____ (think) someone _____ (knock) at the door.
2. We _____ (not/ know) why Sarah is upset, but she _____ (not/ speak) to us for ages.
3. The earth _____ (circle) the sun once every 365 days.
4. Why _____ (you/ stare) at me? I suppose you _____ (not/ see) a woman on a motorbike before!
5. How many times _____ (you/ see) him since he went to Edinburgh?
6. Trevor and Laura like Scabble. They _____ (play) it most evenings.
7. The number of vehicles on the road _____ (increase).

8. 'Sorry I'm late.' 'That's all right. I _____ (not/ wait) long.'
9. Mrs Green always _____ (go) to work by car, but this week she _____ (travel) by bus.
10. We _____ (be) from French. We _____ (be) there for 20 years.
11. These flowers are dying. You _____ (not/ water) them for ages.
12. Mai _____ (lose) her keys, so she can't get into the house.
13. I'm afraid I _____ (not/ finish) typing those letters yet. I _____ (deal) with customers all morning.
14. A: What _____ (your father/ do)?
B: He _____ (be) an architect but he _____ (not/work) at the moment.
15. A: _____ (you/ ever/ see) a lion?
B: Yes, I _____ (see) it since I was a child.

V. Fill in the gaps in this letter with suitable verbs. Use the present perfect progressive or simple, or the present progressive or simple.

Dear Francesca,

We (1) are having a wonderful time here in York. We (2) _____ here for three days now and we (3) _____ to stay for the rest of the week because we (4) _____ ourselves so much. We (5) _____ the Cathedral and the Castle Museum and this morning we (6) _____ around the little old-fashioned streets, looking at the shops and cafés. I'm writing this while we stop for a cold drink before lunch. We (7) _____ much money yet but we'll get some souvenirs before we leave. Besides the sightseeing, we (8) _____ some exercise. The countryside around York is lovely and we (9) _____ some lovely long walks. Fortunately, the weather (10) _____ very good so far. People (11) _____ it can be very cold and it often (12) _____ for days! As this is the first time I (13) _____ to England. I (14) _____ I'm just lucky.

See you soon,
Roberta