

Present Perfect Simple or Continuous

Answer key

1 Write the verb in the Present Perfect Simple or Continuous.

- 1 I have been painting (paint) the living room all day. I'm exhausted.
- 2 Look! I have painted (paint) the living room. What do you think?
- 3 She has called (call) the bank three times today.
- 4 She has been talking (talk) on the phone for an hour.
- 5 How many cups of coffee have you drunk (drink) today?
- 6 How long have you been waiting (wait) here?
- 7 We have been saving (save) money for a new car since January.
- 8 We have saved (save) \$5,000 so far.
- 9 I have known (know) Mark since high school.
- 10 Your eyes are red. Have you been crying (cry)?

2 Complete the pairs with the Present Perfect Simple or Continuous.

- 1 I have been reading (read) this novel for two weeks, and I'm on page 90.
- 2 I have read (read) four novels this year.
- 3 He has been fixing (fix) cars since he was eighteen.
- 4 He has fixed (fix) my car. It runs perfectly now.
- 5 They have been building (build) the new bridge for two years, and it still isn't finished.
- 6 They have built (build) three new schools in our town.
- 7 I have been writing (write) my thesis all summer, and I'm only halfway done.
- 8 I haven't finished (not / finish) my thesis yet.
- 9 This house has belonged (belong) to my family for a hundred years.

3 Circle the correct form.

- 1 I _____ my homework. Can I go out now?
have been doing / have done / am doing
- 2 I'm all sweaty because I _____.
have run / have been running / run
- 3 She _____ this phone for five years.
has been having / has had / is having
- 4 How many countries _____?
have you been visiting / have you visited / are you

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3 Circle the correct form.

- 5 We _____ about moving to Texas for months, but we can't decide.
have been talking / are talking / talk
- 7 Someone _____ my shampoo. The bottle is almost empty.
has been using / is used / have used
- 9 It _____ since this morning. The streets are flooded.
has been raining / is raining / rains
- 6 Someone _____ my sandwich! It's gone.
has been eating / has eaten / is eating
- 8 I _____ that movie twice.
have been seeing / have seen / am seeing

4 Choose the correct sentence.

- 1 a) I have been knowing her for years.
b) I have known her for years.
c) I am knowing her for years.
- 3 a) She has been writing three reports today.
b) She has written three reports today.
c) She have written three reports today.
- 5 a) She has been liking jazz since college.
b) She has liked jazz since college.
c) She is liking jazz since college.
- 2 a) I have cleaning the house all day.
b) I have been cleaning the house all day.
c) I has been cleaning the house all day.
- 4 a) How long have you been learning English?
b) How long are you learning English?
c) How long you have been learning English?
- 6 a) We have visited Chicago twice this year.
b) We have been visiting Chicago twice this year.
c) We have visit Chicago twice this year.

5 Put the words in order.

- 1 this / kitchen / been / morning / have / cleaning / since / the / I / .

I have been cleaning the kitchen since this morning.

- 2 I / cleaned / the / kitchen / already / have / .

I have already cleaned the kitchen.

- 3 this / many / have / you / watched / movies / how / month / ?

How many movies have you watched this month?

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5 Put the words in order.

- 4 have / living / long / you / how / here / been / ?

How long have you been living here?

- 5 I / years / have / for / ten / known / Anna / .

I have known Anna for ten years.

- 6 she / been / trying / day / has / all / call / me / to / .

She has been trying to call me all day.

- 7 sent / I / five / emails / have / today / .

I have sent five emails today.

6 Find and correct the mistake in each sentence.

- 1 We have been look for a babysitter all week.

We have been looking for a babysitter all week.

- 2 He has already finish the report.

He has already finished the report.

- 3 They have been living here for 2015.

They have been living here since 2015.

- 4 Has she being studying all night?

Has she been studying all night?

- 5 I've already wrote three reports this week.

I've already written three reports this week.

- 6 It has been snowing since three hours.

It has been snowing for three hours.

- 7 How long have you been learn to drive?

How long have you been learning to drive?

- 8 She has lose her keys again.

She has lost her keys again.

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YOUR LIFE

7 Write about your week: what you have done and what you have been doing.

THIS WEEK I HAVE... (RESULT)

LATELY I HAVE BEEN... (ACTIVITY)

Answers will vary.