

Present Perfect Continuous

Examples of present perfect continuous:

- I have been living here for five years.
- It has been raining since this morning.

We use the present perfect continuous to say how long things have been happening for up until now.

Activity 1

Create new sentences using for or since.

Example:

- John started learning Chinese in February. Now it is July.
John has been learning Chinese for five months.
- It started raining on Sunday. It's still raining.
It's been raining since Sunday.

1. Mary started painting the house on Monday. Now it's Friday.

2. Ann started working at McDonalds in January.

3. We started driving at six o'clock. Now it's ten o'clock.

4. We started waiting for the bus at 8.30.

Activity 2

Make questions beginning with 'How long...?'

Example:

you / study / maths - How long have you been studying maths?

1. your brother / work / in Glasgow

2. that man / stand / outside

3. you / play / the piano

4. Jane / live / in London

5. your car / make / loud noise

6. the football team / play / this stadium
