CLASA A VII-A A - REVIEW

Present Perfect Simple and Present Perfect Continuous

We use both the **Present Perfect Simple** (*have* or *has* + past participle) and the **Present Perfect Continuous** (*have* or *has* + *been* + *-ing* form) to talk about past actions or states which are still connected to the present.

The **Present Perfect Simple** usually focuses on the result of the activity in some way, and the **Present Perfect Continuous** usually focuses on the activity itself in some way.

Present Perfect Simple	Present Perfect Continuous
Focuses on the result	Focuses on the activity
You've cleaned the bathroom! It looks	I've been gardening. It's so nice out there.
lovely!	
Says 'how many'	Says 'how long'
She's read ten books this summer.	She's been reading that book all day.
Describes a completed action	Describes an activity which may continue
I've written you an email.	I've been writing emails.
	When we can see evidence of recent activity
	The grass looks wet. Has it been raining?
	I know, I'm really red. I've been running!

We often use *for*, *since* and *how long* with the **Present Perfect Simple** to talk about ongoing states.

How long **have** you **known** each other? We'**ve known** each other **since** we were at school.

We often use *for*, *since* and *how long* with the **Present Perfect Continuous** to talk about ongoing single or repeated actions.

How long have they been playing tennis? They've been playing tennis for an hour. They've been playing tennis every Sunday for years.

Practice

I. Make the Present Perfect Simple - choose positive, negative or question:

1. (I / go / to the library today)

2. (you / keep a pet for three years)

3. (you / eat Thai food before?)

4. (it / rain all day?)

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5. (who / we / forget to invite?)

6. (we / not / hear that song already)

7. (he / not / forget his books)

8. (she / steal all the chocolate!)

9. (I / explain it well?)

10. (who / he / meet recently?)

II. Make the present perfect continuous positive or negative:

1. (she / work here for five years)

2. (I / study all day)

3. (you / eat a lot recently)

4. (we / live in London for six months)

5. (he / play football so he's tired)

6. (they / learn English for two years)

7. (I / cook so I'm really hot)

8. (she / go to the cinema every weekend for years)

9. (it / rain, the pavement is wet)

10. (you / sleep for twelve hours)

III. Make the present perfect continuous 'yes / no' questions:

1. (she / run much recently?)

2. (it / rain?)

3. (he / work today?)

4. (I / talk a lot?)

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5. (we / eat too much?)

6. (they / live here for a long time?)

7. (Julie / work in this company for more that five years?)

8. (you / study English for a long time?)

9. (I / do too much recently?)

10. (we / go out with each other for three years already?)

Choose Present Perfect Simple or Present Perfect Continuous IV.

- 1. I _____ (not / do) the housework yet.
- 2. They ______ (study) very hard recently.
- 3. She _____ (promise) to help many times.
- 4. He ______ (clean) the kitchen. Everything is sparkling clean.
- 5. She ______ (write) her essay and ______

(send) it to her professor.

- 6. He
 (see) the film 'The King's Speech' about six times.

 7. We
 (paint) our living room. I think it looks a lot better.
- 8. She ______ (take) French lessons lately.
- 9. It ______ (not / rain) for three hours! Only about one hour.

- 10. Lucy __________ (already / leave).

 11. How many times ________ (you / visit) Scotland?

 12. I ________ (call) John for hours and hours and he hasn't

answered. I'm really angry with him!

- 13. I
 (be) in London for three years.

 14. We
 (know) James for ages.

 15. It's really smelly in here.
 (somebody / smoke)?

 16. How much petrol
 (she / buy)?

- 19. Julie ______ (be) at the office since 6 am.
- 20. The writer ______ (deserve) this award for a long time.