

2A GRAMMAR present perfect and past simple

a Circle the correct verb.

Mike So, where shall we go for our honeymoon?

Gina I don't know. Maybe somewhere in North Africa. Have you ever **been** / **gone** to Morocco?

Mike Yes, **I've been** / **I went** there.

Gina I didn't know that. When **have you been** / **did you go** there?

Mike The year after I **have finished** / **finished** university.

Gina What about Egypt?

Mike **I've been** / **I went** there, too.

Gina Who **have you been** / **did you go** with?

Mike With an ex-girlfriend. But we only **have been** / **went** to Cairo. Let's go there.

Gina No, let's go somewhere else.



b Complete the dialogues with the correct form of the verbs in brackets: past simple or present perfect. Use contractions where possible.

1 **A** How long have you been (you / be) married, Glenn?

B Twenty-two years! Maxine and I ² _____ (have) our wedding anniversary three weeks ago.

A Where ³ _____ (you / meet)? At university?

B No, it ⁴ _____ (be) long before that. Actually, we ⁵ _____ (go) to the same school. We ⁶ _____ (know) each other for a long time. What about you?

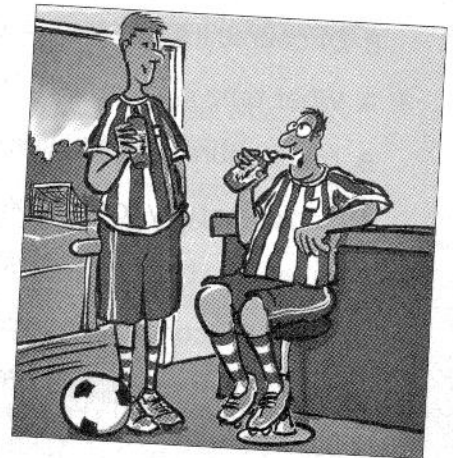
A I'm divorced. I ⁷ _____ (get) divorced a year ago.

B How long ⁸ _____ (you / be) married?

A Just a couple of years.

B So, you're on your own now?

A Yes, but I ⁹ _____ (just / meet) someone new and I really like her.



2 **A** ¹ _____ (you / teach) English abroad before, Ms Jenkins?

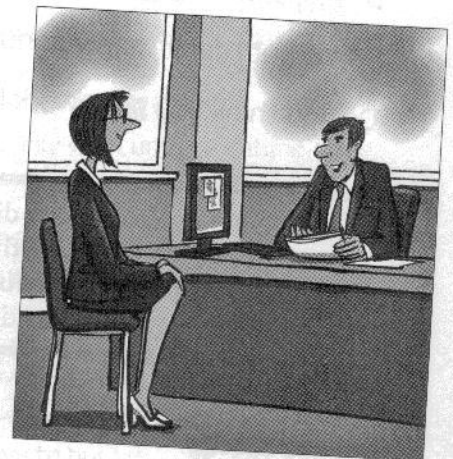
B Yes, I ² _____ (teach) from 2009-2011 in Bolivia, and I ³ _____ (just / come) back from a four-month job in Columbia.

A How long ⁴ _____ (you / be) a language teacher?

B Exactly six years. Before that I ⁵ _____ (be) a primary school teacher.

A Do you have any post-graduate qualifications?

B I ⁶ _____ (start) an MA in Linguistics with the Open University last year, but I ⁷ _____ (not finish) it yet.



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c Practise the dialogues in a and b with a partner.

2B GRAMMAR present perfect + *for* / *since* present perfect continuous

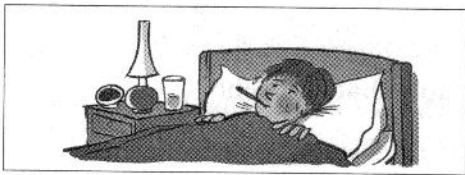
- a** Look at the pictures. What have they been doing? Use the present perfect continuous. Use contractions where possible.



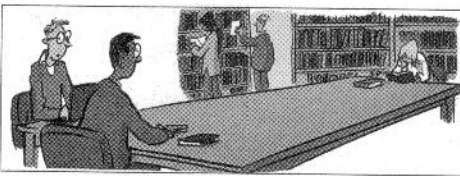
1 He 's been cooking.



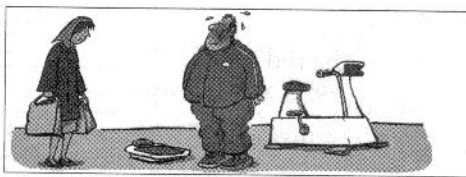
2 She _____ the violin since she got up this morning.



3 Melanie _____ well since last week. She has flu.



4 You _____ at her for hours. Go and talk to her!



5 Your face looks like a tomato! What _____?



6 Tim _____ the instructions for hours.

- b** Complete the questions and answers with the present perfect simple, or the present perfect continuous, and *for* or *since*. Use contractions where possible.



- A How long has he been waiting to speak to someone? (he / wait)
B He 's been waiting for half an hour.
- A How long _____ here? (you / work)
B I _____ here three months now.
- A How long _____ with Rob? (you / go out)
B We _____ we left school.
- A How long _____ single? (Penny / be)
B I think she _____ she broke up with Paul.
- A How long _____ your driving licence? (you / have)
B I _____ it _____ ten years.
- A How long _____ to find a job? (Pete / try)
B He _____ he left university last year, but no luck!
- A How long _____ to be a doctor? (your sister / want)
B She _____ to be a doctor _____ she was seven years old.
- A How long _____ Terry? (you / know)
B I _____ him _____ years. He's an old friend of the family.

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- c** Cover the sentences in **b**. Look at the pictures and remember the sentences.

2A VOCABULARY Money

What's the word?

Work with a partner. You have three minutes to complete the sentences.

- 1 We can't *afford* to go on holiday this year, so we're staying at home.
- 2 That ring can't be _____ €20,000. It looks like plastic!
- 3 Pete doesn't have any money and basically he has to _____ his parents. They pay for absolutely everything.
- 4 My brother didn't _____ very much _____ his car. It was second-hand.
- 5 How much do you think you'll _____ every month in your new job?
- 6 Sorry, but I can't _____ the money I owe you until the end of the month.
- 7 Do you have any change for the supermarket trolley? I only have a €10 _____.
- 8 Some people think it's a really bad idea to borrow money _____ a close friend.
- 9 I get really angry with myself when I _____ my money on things I don't really need.
- 10 I used to have a money box when I was young. That's how I learnt to _____ money.
- 11 Is it OK to _____ credit card?
- 12 Did the bank _____ you the money to buy a new car?
- 13 Diana started spending a lot more money than she had in the bank. She got into _____ after six months.
- 14 Our gas _____ was really high this month because we had the central heating on all the time.
- 15 Our neighbour _____ a beautiful house in the country when her aunt Jane died.
- 16 How can the lawyer _____ you £200 for ten minutes' work?
- 17 My grandmother's afraid of using _____ in the street. She prefers to go into the bank to get money.
- 18 I've asked my bank for a _____ because I want to buy a flat.
- 19 The government is going to put up _____ on cigarettes and alcohol.
- 20 If you open an _____ with this bank, you get an interest-free credit card for a year.

