

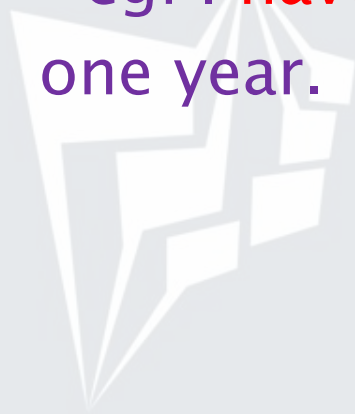
Verbs – to be

Present	am, is, are
Past	was, were
Future	will, shall
Perfect	have, has, had

Present perfect continuous tense

- it shows that something started in the past and it continuing at the present time.

eg: I **have been teaching** grammar for the past one year.



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Present perfect continuous tense

- sentences
- negative sentences
- questions

Subject	singular	Plural
First person	I	We
Second person	You	You
Third person	He, She, It, Name (ex: Sam)	They

a) Sentences – present perfect continuous

Subject	to be (has/have)+ been+ verb+ing	+ object
I, You, We, They	have been playing	football
He, She, It, Sam	has been playing	football

Example:

- i) I have been playing football.
- ii) You have been playing football.
- iii) We have been playing football.
- iv) They have been playing football.
- v) He has been playing football.
- vi) She has been playing football.
- vii) It has been playing football.
- viii) Sam has been playing football.

b) Negative sentences – present perfect continuous

Subject	to be (have/has) + not + been + verb + ing	+ object
I, You, We, They	have not (haven't) been going	to school
He, She, It, Sam	has not (hasn't) been going	to school

Example :

1. I have been going to school.	1. I have not been going to school.
2. You have been going to school.	2. You have not been going to school.
3. We have been going to school.	3. We have not been going to school.
4. They have been going to school.	4. They have not been going to school.
5. He has been going to school.	5. He has not been going to school.
6. She has been going to school.	6. She has not been going to school.
7. It has been going to school.	7. It has not been going to school.
8. Sam has been going to school.	8. Sam has not been going to school.

c) Questions – present perfect continuous

To be + subject	been + verb +ing	+ object
Have I, Have you, Have we, Have they	been singing	song
Has he, Has she, Has it, has sam	been singing	song

Example :

1. I have been singing a song.	1. Have I been singing a song?
2. You have been singing a song.	2. Have you been singing a song?
3. We have been singing a song.	3. Have we been singing a song?
4. They have been singing a song.	4. Have they been singing a song?
5. He has been singing a song.	5. Has he been singing a song?
6. She has been singing a song.	6. Has she been singing a song?
7. It has been singing a song.	7. Has it been singing a song?
8. Sam has been singing a song.	8. Has Sam been singing a song?

Fill in with present perfect continuous tense

1. It has _____ snowing a lot this week.

a) be b) been c) being

2. _____ brother and sister been getting along?

a) have b) has c) are

3. Rick _____ been studying hard this semester.

a) has b) have c) had

4. I am tired because I _____ been working out.

a) have b) has c) am

Fill in with present perfect continuous tense

5. Priya _____ living in Delhi since May.

- a) has being b) is been c) has been

6. Did you know he's _____ teaching German for 10 years?

- a) be b) being c) been

7. He _____ too hard today.

- a) has been working b) has working c) have been working

8. Has it _____ raining since you arrived?

- a) be b) been c) is

Fill in with present perfect continuous tense

9. We _____ in this street for twenty years.

- a) are live b) have been living c) living

10. The workers _____ higher wages for a long time.

- a) has been demanding b) have been demanding c) demand

11. The girl _____ her lessons.

- a) has been learning b) have been learning c) had been learning

12. The children _____ in the garden.

- a) has been playing b) have been playing c) had been playing.

Form the sentence in present perfect continuous tense

1. She _____ (work) here for five years.
2. I _____ (study) all day.
3. You _____ (eat) a lot recently.
4. We _____ (live) in Pondicherry for six months.
5. He _____ (play) football, so he's tired.
6. They _____ (learn) English for two years.

Form the sentence in present perfect continuous tense

7. I _____ (cook) so much from the morning.

8. She _____ (go) to the cinema every weekends.

9. It _____ (rain) so the pavement is wet.

10. You _____ (sleep) for 12 hours.

11. I _____ (not/work) today.

12. You _____ (not/eat) well recently.

Form the sentence in present perfect continuous tense

13. We _____ (not/exercise) enough.

14. She _____ (not/study) all day.

15. They _____ (not/live) here for very long.

16. It _____ (not/snow) all night.

17. He _____ (not/play) football for 5 years.

18. We _____ (not/drink) enough water.

Form the sentence in present perfect continuous tense

19. I _____ (not/sleep) for a long time.

20. They _____ (not/paint) since 2 years.

21. Her grandma _____ (talk) for three hours.

22. A little boy _____ (stand) at the door since noon.

23. A strange man _____ (follow) us for hours.

24. She _____ (not/work) for months.

Make the present perfect continuous 'wh' or 'yes/no' questions

1. _____ (she/run) recently?

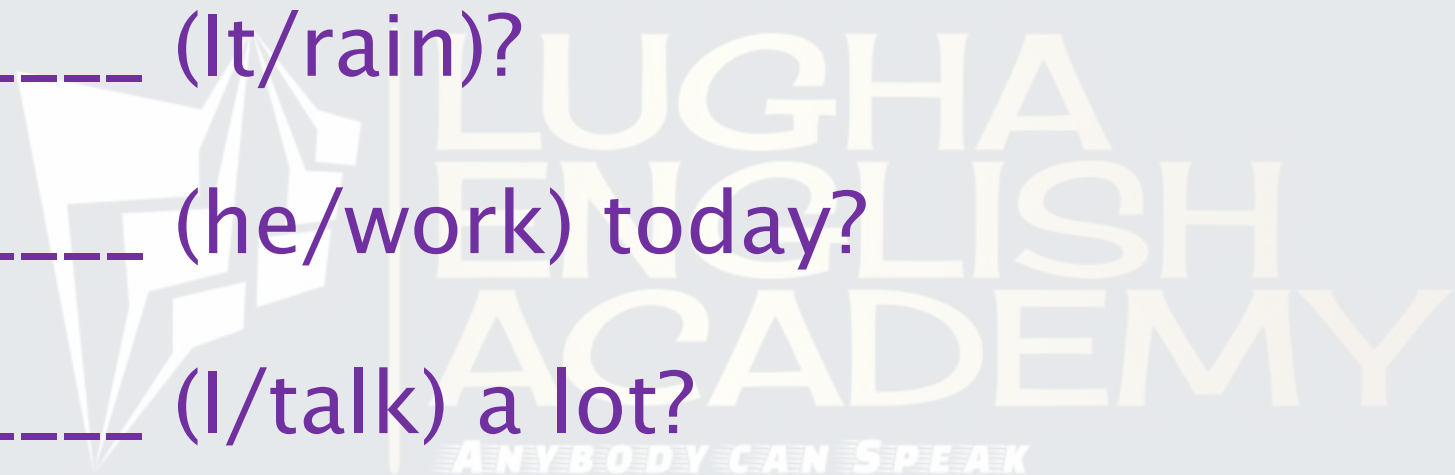
2. _____ (It/rain)?

3. _____ (he/work) today?

4. _____ (I/talk) a lot?

5. _____ (we/eat) too much?

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



Make the present perfect continuous 'wh' or 'yes/no' questions

7. _____ (Julia/work) in this company for 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?

11. How long _____ (you/study) Japanese?

12. Where _____ (she/work)?

Make the present perfect continuous 'wh' or 'yes/no' questions

13. How long _____ (she/play) tennis?

14. What _____ (they/drink)?

15. How long _____ (you/live) here?

16. What _____ (the child/eat)?

17. Where _____ (she/buy) food?

18. What _____ (you/do) all day?

Discussion Questions:

1. How have you been feeling lately?
2. How have you been getting to work/school recently?
3. What have you been thinking about a lot?
4. What have you been doing this week?
5. What have you been dreaming about lately?
6. What have you been wanting to tell someone lately?
7. What have you been putting your energy into recently?
8. Which movie have you been wanting to watch for a while?
9. Which color have you been wearing a lot lately?
10. Where have you been eating lunch?

1. Where have you been eating lunch?
2. Where have you been going for peace and quiet?
3. Where have you been considering going on your next holiday?
4. Why have you been smiling lately?
5. Why have you been looking tired?
6. Why have you been working so hard?
7. Whom have you been thinking about recently?
8. Who has been annoying you this week?
9. Who has been helping you lately?
10. What has been motivating you recently?
11. What hasn't been interesting you lately?
12. What hasn't been smelling good to you recently?
13. Has it been raining today?
14. Has it been snowing?

