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StartUp 6

Grammar

Unit1 – Lesson1

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Look at the text and answer the questions.

Tom **has been fixing** the car all afternoon. He started working on it around noon, and he's still at it. He**'s been checking** the engine, **tightening** bolts, and **replacing** parts.

Complete the rules:

Use the present perfect ____1____ to describe actions that started in the past and are still continuing. To form it we use have/has + ____2____ + v/ing
We sometimes use the present perfect continuous with adverbs of ____3____ such as lately and recently to show that something started in the recent past.

Present the sentences and ask for the Ss' opinions to answer the questions.

Teach the structure deductively for the maximum of 5 minutes. Feel free to add any necessary explanations.

Rules:

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Present Perfect Continuous usually focuses on the activity itself.
It has some functions:

- *It focuses on the activity*

I've been gardening. It's so nice out there.

- *It Says 'how long'*

She's been reading that book all day.

- *It describes an activity which may continue*

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!

Teach the structure deductively for the maximum of 5 minutes. Feel free to add any necessary explanations.

Rules:

Completed or continuing events

We use the present perfect simple with action verbs to emphasise the completion of an event in the recent past. We use the present perfect continuous to talk about ongoing events or activities which started at a time in the past and are still continuing up until now.

Compare

I've written the Politics essay. — Completed event.

I've been writing the Politics essay. — Ongoing activity: I'm still writing it.

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Rules:

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Sometimes we can use either form and the meaning is the same:

I've lived here for 20 years.

I've been living here for 20 years.

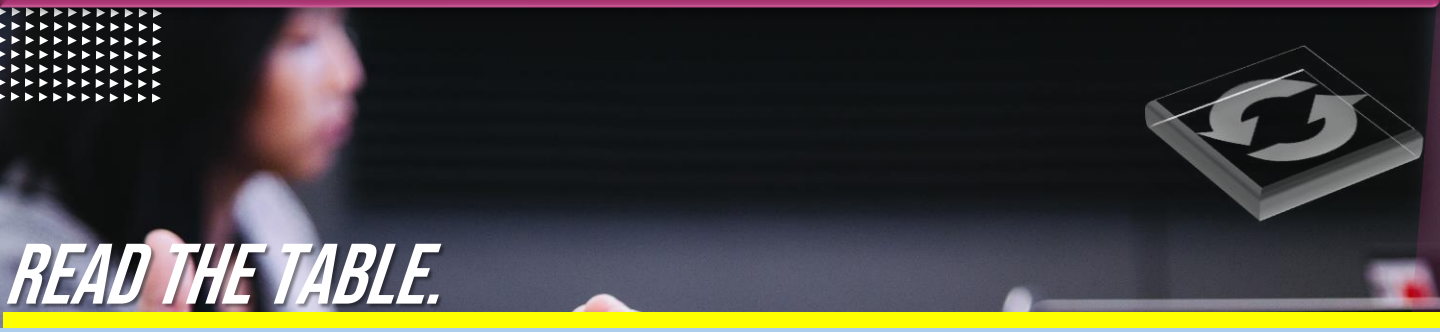
Warning:

The present perfect continuous form is not normally used with verbs that refer to actions that are completed at a single point in time such as *start, stop, finish*:

***Has** the concert **started** already?*

Not: ~~Has the concert been starting already?~~

Have your Ss read the sentences aloud. Recap any tips if necessary.

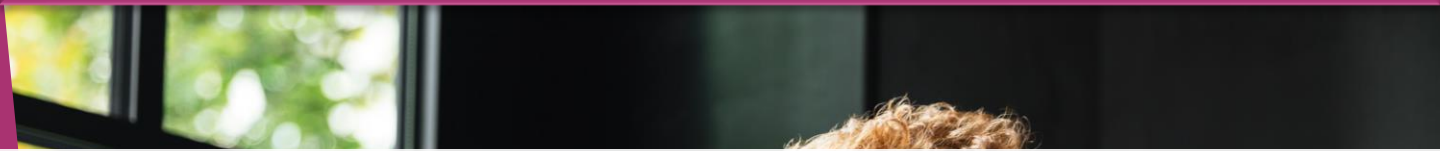


READ THE TABLE.

Statements						
Subject	***Have / has***	***(Not)***	***Been***	**Present participle**		***Lately / recently***
I	have	(not)	been	watching	old movies	lately.
She	has					recently.
Questions						
	Have / has	**Subject**	***Been***	**Present participle**		***Lately / recently?***
	Have	you	been	watching	anything good	lately?
What	has	he				recently?

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B Read about Matt Rock's new album. Circle the correct form of the verbs.



Popstar News! MATT ROCK RECORDS NEW ALBUM!

Matt Rock announced today that he **(1) has recently recorded / has recently been recording** a new album with his band. He and his band members **(2) have worked / have been working** on the album for several months. They **(3) haven't finished / haven't been finishing** it yet, but they hope it will come out next year. In an interview, Rock said that he **(4) has been waiting / has waited** for weeks to share this news with his fans. Many news outlets **(5) have been talking / have talked** about this surprising news for hours, and his fans **(6) have followed / have been following** the whole story online with excitement. In the interview, Rock said that the band **(7) has been trying / has tried** to make a new album for many years, and he hopes fans are going to be happy with the album when it's released.

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Oral Practice



Practice different forms of grammar by providing the context to Ss and having them produce sentences individually.

Ask your students to do the task in a couple of minutes.



C MAKE IT PERSONAL Write sentences about what you have or haven't been doing *recently / lately* using the present perfect continuous.

1. I've been listening to some new music recently.
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Create breakout rooms to have the Ss share their ideas. Give FEEDBACK right after.

IN PAIRS!

Share what you have written and add more details.



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Ask your students to do the task in as homework. Provide them with the answers the following session.

HOMEWORK

A Complete the interview. Use the correct form of the present perfect continuous.



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Jessica Star: It's my pleasure! I've been filming (1 (I / film)) a new movie for the past two months, so this is actually a nice break.

I: It sounds like you've been busy! What _____ (2 (you / work)) on lately?

JS: Well, _____ (3 (I / not get)) much sleep recently! _____ (4 (I / shoot)) a heartwarming new movie called *The Last Love*. It's about a young girl who gets very sick, falls in love, and…you have to watch it to know more!

I: I can't wait to see it!

JS: You're also in luck because _____ (5 (we / plan)) to share a little surprise with everyone today! I recently recorded my first single, and you will be able to hear it in the new movie! _____ (6 (I / think)) about getting into singing for the past few years, and I'm really happy to finally get started on this new adventure.

I: Wow! That's so exciting! What helped you make this decision?

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