

Examples:

*You have been waiting here for two hours.*

*Have you been waiting here for two hours?*

*You have not been waiting here for two hours.*

*They have been talking for the last hour.*

*She has been working at that company for three years.*

*What have you been doing for the last 30 minutes?*

*James has been teaching at the university since June.*

*We have been waiting here for over two hours!*

*Why has Nancy not been taking her medicine for the last three days?*

Sam **has been having** his car for two years. **Not Correct**

Sam **has had** his car for two years. **Correct**

Present Perfect / Present Perfect Continuous

**a)** Using the words in parentheses, complete the text below with the appropriate tenses.

Robin: I think the waiter (forget)\_\_\_\_\_ us. We (wait)\_\_\_\_\_ here for over half an hour and nobody (take) our order yet.

Michele: I think you're right. He (walk)\_\_\_\_\_ by us at least twenty times. He probably thinks we (order, already)\_\_\_\_\_ .

Robin: Look at that couple over there, they (be, only)\_\_\_\_\_ here for five or ten minutes and they already have their food.

Michele: He must realize we (order, not)\_\_\_\_\_ yet! We (sit)\_\_\_\_\_ here for over half an hour staring at him.

Robin: I don't know if he (notice, even)\_\_\_\_\_ us. He (run)\_\_\_\_\_ from table to table taking orders and serving food.

Michele: That's true, and he (look, not) \_\_\_\_\_ in our direction once.

**b)** 1. Judy: How long (be \_\_\_\_\_) in Canada? Claude: I (study)\_\_\_\_\_ here for more than three years.

2. I (have) the same car for more than ten years. I'm thinking about buying a new one.

3. I (love)\_\_\_\_\_ chocolate since I was a child. You might even call me a "chocoholic."

4. Matt and Sarah (have)\_\_\_\_\_ some difficulties in their relationship lately, so they (go)\_\_\_\_\_ to a marriage counselor. I hope they work everything out.

5. John (work)\_\_\_\_\_ for the government since he graduated from Harvard University. Until recently, he (enjoy)\_\_\_\_\_ his work, but now he is talking about retiring.

6. Lately, I (think)\_\_\_\_\_ about changing my career because I (become)\_\_\_\_\_ dissatisfied with the conditions at my company.

7. I (see) \_\_\_\_\_ Judy for more than five years and during that time I (see)\_\_\_\_\_ many changes in her personality.

**c)** It (rain)\_\_\_\_\_ all week. I hope it stops by Saturday because I want to go to the beach.

2. Sid: Where is Gary? Sarah: He (study, at the library)\_\_\_\_\_ for his German test on Wednesday. In fact, he (review) for the test every day for the last week.

3. You look really great! (You, exercise)\_\_\_\_\_ at the fitness center ?

4. Frank, where have you been? We (wait)\_\_\_\_\_ for you since 1 PM.

5. Tim: What is that sound? Nancy: A car alarm (ring)\_\_\_\_\_ somewhere down the street. It (drive) me crazy - I wish it would stop! It (ring)\_\_\_\_\_ for more than twenty minutes.

6. Joseph's English (improve, really)\_\_\_\_\_ , isn't it? He (watch)\_\_\_\_\_ American television programs and (study)\_\_\_\_\_ his grammar every day since he first arrived in San Diego. Soon he will be totally fluent.

7. Dan: You look a little tired. (You, get)\_\_\_\_\_ enough sleep lately?

Michelle: Yes, I (sleep)\_\_\_\_\_ relatively well. I just look tired because I (feel)\_\_\_\_\_ a little sick for the last week.

Dan: I hope you feel better soon.

Michelle: Thanks. I (take, currently) some medicine, so I should feel better in a couple of days.