



**▶ PRESENT PERFECT  
CONTINUOUS**

# PRESENT PERFECT CONTINUOUS

## Use:

- to put emphasis on the duration of an action which started in the past and continues up to the present.

*She has been preparing for her exams since Monday.*

- for an action which started in the past and lasted for some time. It may still be continuing, or have finished, but it has left a visible result in the present.

*He is tired because he has been dancing all night long.*

- to express anger, irritation or annoyance / criticism.

*She has been using my computer without asking me.*

- for repeated actions in the past continuing to the present

*He has put on the weight because he has been eating junk food every day since last month*

## Time expressions

since

for

how long

just

already

yet

ever

never

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I've	I		waiting	for smb.
you've	you		building	houses
we've	we	have been	eating	junk food
	they		working	hard
	y		listening	to music
	he		doing	the work
he's	he			
she's	she	has been		
it's	it			

Subject  
S

have been (I, you, we, they)

has been (he, she, it)

Verb+ing  
V+ing

Object  
Obj

# PRESENT PERFECT CONTINUOUS

—

I

you

we

they

he

she

it

have not

(haven't)

has not

(hasn't)

have not / haven't

(I, you, we, they)

has not / hasn't

(he, she, it)

gone

built

eaten

worked

played

finished

Verb<sub>3</sub>

V<sub>3</sub>

to Berlin

hundreds of houses

my lunch

hard

chess

the work

Object

Obj

Subject

S

# PRESENT PERFECT CONTINUOUS

?

**Have**

I  
you  
we  
they

gone  
built  
eaten

to Berlin?  
hundreds of houses?  
my lunch?

**Has**

he  
she  
it

worked  
played  
finished

hard?  
chess?  
the work?

**Have** (I, you, we, they)

**Has** (he, she, it)

**Subject**  
S

**Verb<sub>3</sub>**  
V<sub>3</sub>

**Object**  
Obj

# PRESENT PERFECT CONTINUOUS

?

Where  
How  
Why  
When

**have**

I  
you  
we  
they

gone

to Berlin?

built

hundreds of houses?

eaten

my lunch?

worked

hard?

played

chess?

finished

the work?

What  
Who  
(about the  
object)

**has**

he  
she  
it

**have** (I, you, we, they)

**has** (he, she, it)

Subject

S

Verb<sub>3</sub>

V<sub>3</sub>

Object

Obj

# PRESENT PERFECT CONTINUOUS

?

What  
Who  
(about  
the  
Subject)

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V<sub>3</sub>

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