

Present Tense

⇒ Present Perfect Continuous Tense

The Present Perfect Continuous Tense is used to indicate an **action** that started in the **past** and **has continued** up until the **present** moment. It emphasizes the **duration of the action** and can also suggest that the **action** is **ongoing** or has

⇒ Formation:

- Subject + has/have + been + Present Participle (Base verb + -ing)

1. Affirmative Sentence:

- ✓ Subject + has/have + been + verb + -ing
- ✓ Example:
- ✓ She **has been studying** for three hours.

2. Negative Sentence:

- ✓ Subject + has/have + not + been + verb + -ing
- ✓ Example:
- ✓ She **has not been studying** for three hours.

3. Interrogative Sentence:

- ✓ Has/Have + subject + been + verb + -ing + ?
- ✓ Example:
- ✓ **Has** she **been studying** for three hours?



⇒ Usage:

1. To describe an action that started in the past and continues to the present moment:
 - ✓ They **have been living** in this house for ten years.
2. To express an ongoing action that has recently stopped or has just finished, often with visible results or consequences:



- ✓ She is tired because she **has been running**.
- 3. To describe an action that has occurred repeatedly or intermittently up to the present moment:
 - ✓ I **have been trying** to call you all day.
- 4. To express an action that has caused a present result or situation:
 - ✓ The grass is wet because it **has been raining**.



⇒ Time Expressions :

- Common time expressions used with the Present Perfect Continuous Tense include "for," "since," "all day," "lately," and "recently."
- Examples:
 - ✓ I **have been working** here for five years.
 - ✓ They **have been playing** soccer since 2 p.m.
 - ✓ She **has been practicing** the piano all day.