



**BATTLE FOR BRITAIN
COURSE 1
VRGN-BWLF/10-66
CLASSIFIED**



Mission 2.4 Present Perfect Continuous

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Write a question for each situation. Use the present perfect continuous.

1. You come home and smell something unknown and delicious. Your mom is in the kitchen. You ask: (you / roast?)
 2. You have just arrived to meet a friend who is waiting for you. You ask: (you / wait / long?)
 3. You come across a friend in the street. His hands are filthy and he looks exhausted. You ask: (what / you / do?)
 4. A friend of yours has nearly finished an immaculate portrait of a child. You ask: (how long / you / painting?)
 5. A friend tells you about his job – he is a programmer. You want to know about his current project. You ask: (how long / you / write / your latest program?)
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2

Read the situations and complete the sentences. Use full forms.

1. You are in the hospital ward. You started recovering after the operation approximately a month ago.
You _____ for a month.
2. I am doing my homework. I started 20 minutes ago.
I _____ it for 20 minutes.
3. She is working part time as a waitress. She started working part time in April.

She _____ part time since April.

4. Thomas is baking biscuits in his new fitted kitchen. He started baking at 4 pm.

He _____ since 4 pm.

5. My classmate is apparently dozing. He started dozing off 10 minutes ago.

He _____ for 10 minutes.

3

Put the verb into the present continuous or present perfect continuous.

1. You _____ (learn) Spanish online for two months. Have you made any progress?

2. Hey, I'm really pleased you came! I haven't heard from you for ages. What _____ (you / do) for the last few weeks?

3. Why _____ (you / stare) at me like that? Stop it!

4. Do not believe her. She _____ (tell) plausible lies for almost every day of your friendship.

5. She _____ (do) it right now, by the way.

6. Detectives _____ (already/question) him for two hours probing for his true intentions.

7. Obviously, this dress is of poor quality. Don't you see this guy _____ (try) to rip you off all this time?

8. Sarah is very hard-working. She _____ (work) to tight deadlines for months.

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For each situation, ask a question using the words in brackets.

1. It is rainy today. Your brother has just come home and he is soaked to the skin.

You ask: (how long / walk?)

2. You have just arrived at the airport in order to see your friend off. She is waiting for you and she looks drowsy.

You ask: (sleep well lately?)

3. You have just come home after a journey with your family. There is a pungent odor in your apartment.

You ask: (the food / go off?)

4. Some friends of yours are having a party next week. You fancy finding out about it.
You ask: (how many people / invite?)
 5. Your cousin is poaching lobsters. They look overcooked.
You ask: (how long / poach?)
 6. You meet somebody who is a remarkable songwriter. You ask:
(how many songs / write?)
 7. You meet somebody who is a remarkable songwriter.
You ask: (how long / write / songs?)
 8. A friend of yours is saving money to purchase a new car.
You ask: (how long / save?)
 9. A friend of yours is saving money to purchase a new car.
You ask: (how much money / save?)
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Put the verb into the more suitable form, the present perfect simple or continuous.

1. You _____ (finally win) the competition. Do you feel satisfied?
 2. Look! I _____ (just tear) my worn-out jeans.
 3. You look vibrant. _____ (you / not / work) long hours recently?
 4. '_____ (you / ever / create) an album with your childhood photos?' 'No, never.'
 5. 'I _____ (not / see) Emma since the day when she went for a walk with that slender man.'
'Really? Where _____ (she / go)?'
 6. My brother is an actor. He _____ (appear) in several films.
 7. Do not make any excuses. I _____ (not/ wait) for you too long anyway.
 8. 'Is it still boiling hot outside?' 'Not really, it _____ (get) cooler.'
 9. I _____ (just / have) a nightmare. Do you mind if I stay with you?
 10. I _____ (read) the book you lent me, but I _____ (not / finish) it yet. The plot is absolutely fascinating.
 11. I _____ (read) the book you lent me, so you can have it back now.
 12. 'Your team's mascot is gorgeous! Where did you get it?' 'I _____ (own) it since I was a child. It is an heirloom.'
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