

present perfect simple & continuous

1. Change the *present perfect* sentences into *present* sentences with similar meanings:

- a. The Foreign Minister has died. **The Foreign Minister is dead.**
- b. Lucy' had a baby. _____
- c. I've broken my leg. _____
- d. He's lost his address book. _____
- e. Have you made tea? _____
- f. I've done the washing up. _____
- g. She's gone to work for the BBC. _____
- h. The noise has stopped. _____
- i. I've forgotten your name. _____
- j. She's learnt French. _____

2. Put together the beginnings and ends of the conversations:

BEGINNINGS	ENDS
Aren't you hungry?	Helen's been looking at them.
Is it true that Philip's been arrested?	I've been gardening all the morning.
Janet seems very cheerful.	I've been swimming.
She's very dirty.	I've been talking to Henry, and he just goes on and on.
Why are my books all over the floor?	No, I've been eating all day.
Why's your hair wet?	She's been cleaning the cellar.
You all look very miserable.	She's been skiing with Roger for the last week.
You look tired.	Yes, he's been stealing things from shops.
You're very late.	Yes, I've been painting the ceiling.
Your hair's all white.	Yes, we've been telling each other our life stories.

Aren't you hungry? No, I've been eating all day.

3. Put in the *present perfect simple* or *continuous*:

a. That man (stand) outside for hours.

That man **has been standing** outside for hours.

b. The castle (stand) on that hill for 900 years.

c. Ann (garden) all afternoon. She (plant) a lot of rose bushes.

d. James (go) out every night this week.

e. He (see) a lot of Alexandra recently.

f. How long (you / wait)?

g. I (wait) long enough. I'm going.

h. Her family (farm) this land since the tenth century.

i. She (only / farm) for two years, but she's doing very well.

j. I (learn) German for six years.

k. I (learn) most of the irregular verbs.

l. My mother (do) all her Christmas shopping.

m. I (do) Christmas shopping all day.

n. I (clean) the car. Doesn't it look nice?

o. You look tired. I (wash) clothes all day.
