

THE PRESENT PERFECT CONTINUOUS

ROLE

The present perfect continuous expresses action that started in the past and is still happening now or has just stopped.

FORMS

Affirmative: Subject + have/has been + verb-ing.

Negative: Subject + have/has not been + verb-ing.

Question: Have/has + Subject + been + verb-ing?

TIME EXPRESSIONS

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| 1. since | 1. lately | 1. the whole day |
| 2. for | 2. for | 2. the entire week |
| 3. all day | 3. all morning | 3. for years |
| 4. recently | 4. all week | 4. for ages |

1. I have been feeling tired lately.
2. Have you been working?
3. She hasn't been travelling for ages.
4. He has been studying all afternoon.