

Present perfect vs. present continuous

Result or duration:

1. I (play) _____ football for five years.
2. My team (win / only) _____ two matches so far.
3. The others (be / always) _____ better.
4. Are we not there yet? We (walk) _____ for hours.
5. But we (cover / only) _____ an area of five miles so far.
6. I (finish/just) _____ my homework.
7. I (work) _____ on this essay since two o'clock.
8. Jane (go out) _____ with Bob for seven years.
9. Martin (date) _____ three girls this week.
10. How long (wait / you) _____ for us?
11. A: (you / play / ever) _____ tennis?
12. B: I (play / only) _____ tennis once or twice. And you?
13. A: I (learn) _____ tennis for two years.
14. B: (you / take) _____ part in any competitions yet?
15. A: I (participate) _____ in four contests this year.
16. B: (you / win) _____ any prizes so far?
17. A: No, I (win / not) _____ anything yet. I'm not that good yet. (you / enter / ever) _____ a contest?
18. B: I (swim) _____ for seven years and I (receive / already) _____ some trophies.

Result or side effect

1. Why are you out of breath? - I (run) _____.
2. The toaster is okay again. Dad (repair) _____ it.
3. I am so tired, I (work) _____ all day.
4. Your shirt is clean now. Maggie (wash) _____ it.
5. I'm afraid, I'm getting a cold. I (walk) _____ home in the rain.
6. Your clothes smell awful! (you / smoke) _____?
7. Peggy is ready for her exam now. I (help) _____ her preparing for it.
8. It is dark in here because we (close) _____ the curtains. We want to watch a film and that's better in the dark.
9. His voice is gone now because he (shout) _____ all morning.
10. One can see through the windows again. Jane (clean) _____ them.
11. You are absolutely sunburned. You (sit) _____ in the sun too long.
12. We can watch the film now. Michael (connect) _____ the DVD player.

13. The room looks much nicer now. I (hang) _____ up some pictures.
14. Freddy is soaked wet. He (wash) _____ the dog.
15. I am not hungry. I (eat / already) _____ something.
16. Can I go outside? I (do) _____ my homework.
17. My eyes are red because I (cut) _____ onions.

Since the last time or since the beginning:

1. I (play / not) _____ the computer for half an hour, only for about 5 minutes.
2. Bob (drive / not) _____ a car for eight years.
3. Carla (go / not) _____ on holiday for three years.
4. We (run / not) _____ for 40 minutes yet - there are still 10 minutes left.
5. They (smoke / not) _____ for 10 days now.
6. I (eat / not) _____ anything since two o'clock.
7. Anna (work / not) _____ here for five years, but for seven years.
8. I (read / not) _____ for a long time - just 10 minutes, not more.
9. You (cycle / not) _____ for two hours. It was only about one hour.
10. Catherine (speak / not) _____ French for 10 years, so her French isn't very good now.

Mixed exercise:

1. A: (you / take) _____ the dog for a walk yet?
2. B: I (work) _____ all day. I (come / just) _____ home from work and I (have / not) _____ the time yet to walk the dog.
3. A: How long (the dog / be) _____ home alone?
4. B: For about 6 hours. You (walk / not) _____ the dog for a long time. Don't you want to go?
5. A: Well, I (laze / not) _____ about all day either, you know. I have a very important meeting tomorrow and I still (finish / not) _____ my presentation.
6. B: Okay, I will go then. Where (you / put) _____ collar and leash?
7. A: They are in the kitchen. By the way, (you / eat) _____ anything yet? If not, could you get us something from the supermarket?