

# ENGLISH

Chapter 20  
Week 20

**2nd**  
SECONDARY

**MY STUFF**

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# HELICOMOTIVATION

## Present perfect with *for* and *since*

- 1 Read the examples and circle the correct option to complete the rules.

Collecting has been a popular hobby **for** many years.

**How long** have you been interested in collecting stamps? **For** six months.

Doug Taron has had a butterfly collection **since** he was seven.

- 1 We use *for* and *since* with the **present perfect/ simple present** to answer the question 'How long?'
- 2 We use *for* and *since* when the action is **finished/unfinished.**
- 3 We use **for/since** to refer to the beginning of the time period.
- 4 We use **for/since** to refer to the duration of the time period.

**2** Copy and complete the table with the words in the box.

2012 9 o'clock a long time April five years  
I was eight lunchtime many years  
~~ten minutes~~ three weeks Tuesday we arrived

<i>for</i>	<i>since</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ten minutes</li><li>• A long time</li><li>• Five years</li><li>• Many years</li><li>• Three weeks</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 2012</li><li>• 9 o'clock</li><li>• April</li><li>• I was eight</li><li>• Lunchtime</li><li>• Tuesday</li><li>• We arrived</li></ul>

### 3 Complete the sentences with *for* or *since*.

- 1 They've lived here since September.
- 2 I've had this phone for six months.
- 3 We've been at the school since 2018.
- 4 He hasn't seen his grandma for a long time.
- 5 She's had the same bike for the last two years.
- 6 I've been a fan of Disney movies since I was a child.
- 7 I haven't had anything to eat since breakfast.
- 8 Where have you been? I've been here for hours!

**4** Rewrite the sentences with *for* or *since* so the meaning is the same.

- 1 I've had this jacket for three months. (It's May.)  
*I've had this jacket since February.*
- 2 Fatima's been sick since Tuesday. (It's Thursday.)  
**Fatima's been sick for two days.**
- 3 Jake's been on the football team since September. (It's January.)  
**Jake's been on the football team for five months.**
- 4 We've lived in this house since 2018. (It's 2020.)  
**We've lived in this house for two years.**
- 5 We've had exams for the last four days. (It's Friday.)  
**We've had exams since Tuesday.**
- 6 The weather has been great for a week. (It's May 27th.)  
**The weather has been great since May 20th.**

## 5 Complete the text with *for* and *since*.

Thirteen-year-old Lily Connors from Swansea, Wales, has been a huge fan of TV sci-fi series *Doctor Who*® 1 since she was a small child, and she and her family have watched it at her grandparents' house 2 for many years. Lily has also collected toys, cards and other *Doctor Who* objects 3 for nearly ten years and she has a very big collection. In fact, she has been the Guinness World Record® holder 4 since 2017. She's had three of the figures in her collection 5 since she was just four years old and she now has over 6,000 items. But Lily's not the only champion in the family. Her brother, Tom Connors, has been a record-holder in street basketball 6 for years and currently holds 16 world records.

## Present perfect and simple past

- 1** Read the examples. Which sentences are in the present perfect and which are in the simple past? How do you know?

How long **have** you **been** a minimalist? **PRESENT PERFECT**

How **did** it **start**? **SIMPLE PAST**

**I've been** a minimalist for about three years. **PRESENT PERFECT**

It was the end of the school year and I **wanted** to **SIMPLE PAST**  
clean my room.

**I've done** that once or twice. **PRESENT PERFECT**



**2** Complete the rules with *present perfect* or *simple past*. Match the sentences in exercise 1 with the rules.

- 1 We use the PRESENT PERFECT for unfinished actions in the past.
- 2 We use the SIMPLE PAST for finished actions in the past.
- 3 We use the PRESENT PERFECT for actions that happened in the past without saying when.

### 3 Circle the correct option.

- 1 He **has sold**/**sold** a lot of his clothes three years ago.
- 2 I've **have**/**had** this watch since I was six.
- 3 We've **been**/**went** to California twice.
- 4 My parents **have taken**/**took** this photo last year.

## 4 Complete the dialogues with the present perfect or simple past.

A How long 1 have you had (you/ have) those sneakers?

I 2 've had (have) them for about a year. I 3 bought (buy) them online.

B When 4 did you get (you / get) that watch?

My parents 5 gave (give) it to me for my birthday, but I 6 haven't worn (not wear) it before.

**5** Read the examples. Which time expressions do we often use with the present perfect? Which do we use with the simple past?

A few years **ago**, Ryan decided to get rid of his things. **SIMPLE PAST**

I've done this **for** three years. **PRESENT PERFECT**

I've had these comic books **since** 2017. **PRESENT PERFECT**

**Last year**, I threw away my skates. **SIMPLE PAST**

**6** Copy and complete the table with the time expressions in the box.

all my life   for a month   in 2020   in July  
last summer   last week   since Monday  
since I was six   ~~three years ago~~   yesterday

Present perfect	Simple past
	<i>three years ago</i>

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• All my life</li><li>• For a month</li><li>• Since Monday</li><li>• Since I was six</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• In 2020</li><li>• In July</li><li>• Last summer</li><li>• Last week</li><li>• Yesterday</li></ul> |
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*Celebrity shoes!*

Most celebrities have a lot of clothes. In fact, they usually have **1** (...)! So they often give their old clothes and shoes to charities.

One of these charities is the Small Steps Project. Amy Hanson and her friends **2** (...) the idea for the project while they **3** (...) in Cambodia. They saw that people didn't have **4** (...) money to buy shoes, so they decided to help them.

Every year, the Small Steps Project **5** (...) a special event in London. They invite celebrities to come and sell their shoes. It's now the **6** (...) event of this type in the world, and the charity **7** (...) thousands of pounds since it started. One year, Emma Watson sold a pair of boots that she used **8** (...) for £6,000! If you **9** (...) to their website, you'll see the shoes and how much people paid for them.

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| <b>1</b> a too much  | <b>b</b> too many       | <b>c</b> enough     |
| <b>2</b> a have      | <b>b</b> were having    | <b>c</b> had        |
| <b>3</b> a work      | <b>b</b> were working   | <b>c</b> worked     |
| <b>4</b> a some      | <b>b</b> a lot          | <b>c</b> enough     |
| <b>5</b> a has       | <b>b</b> is having      | <b>c</b> was having |
| <b>6</b> a large     | <b>b</b> more important | <b>c</b> biggest    |
| <b>7</b> a is making | <b>b</b> made           | <b>c</b> has made   |
| <b>8</b> a wear      | <b>b</b> to wear        | <b>c</b> to wearing |
| <b>9</b> a will go   | <b>b</b> go             | <b>c</b> went       |