# **Present Perfect Tense** versus **Present Perfect Continuous**

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**NOT:** Arkadaşlar, kendi kendinize de daha detaylı çalışabilmeniz için önce konu anlatımı ve örnekler, sonra da örnek alıştırmalar hazırladım bu worksheette size. Takıldığınız, anlamadığınız yerde bana sorabilirsiniz.

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Server sorununda Canlı derste sorun olunca, derste anlatacağımı burdan daha detaylı size Worksheet formatlı hazırladım arkadaşlar.

### THE PRESENT PERFECT TENSE

## Subject + have-has + Verb 3 + object + time adverbials

Up to now/ until now

Yet

Recently

I haven't seen her

Lately

For a long time

For the last / past three years

Since last Thursday

## a) Geçmiş ile şu an arasında bir bağ oluşturur.

- 1. I have been married for nearly ten years now.
- 2. I have lived here for the past eight years.
- 3. How long have you known Mary?
- 4. I have known her all my life.
- 5. I have seen great changes in my life.

## b) Az önce tamamlanmış, etkisi ve sonucu halen görülen;

- 1. I can't eat anymore. I have eaten too much already.
- 2. I have finished my homework, so I can go out to play with my friends.

# c) Bitmiş etkisi görülen PPT ile SPT karşılaştıralım.

- 1a . I have cut my finger. It is still bleeding. (Hâla kanıyor)
- 1b . I cut my finger, but it healed nicely. (İyileşti)

# d) Zaman bildiren zarf cümlelerinde gelecekte bitmiş olacağı varsayılan eylemleri göstermek. ( NOT: Biraz detay bilgi bu, bilmeseniz de olur. )

- 1. I'll lend you this book when I have finished it.
- 2. When we've had a rest, we will go out.

- 3. I am going to wait until Ali has finished her coffee.
  - e) This week / month / year gibi zarflarla genellikle kullanılır.
- 1. I have been to the theatre several times this year.
- 2. We have watched TV every evening this month.
  - f) This is the first time / best / worst / easiest ...
- 1. This is the first time I have eaten caviar.
- 2. This is the best food I have ever eaten.
- 3. This is the most beautiful girl I have ever seen.

### THE PRESENT PERFECT PROGRESSIVE TENSE

Subject + have-has + been + verb-ing + object + time adverbials

- a) Geçmişte başlamış halen devam eden olaylardan bahsedermen;
- 1. Ekin bought a CD player three days ago, and he has been listening to music ever since.
- 2. She's been making ceramics for a good many years now.
- 3. It has been raining outside for the last three days.
- b) Devam eden eylemlerde PPTin aksine PPPT eylemin geçici olduğunu gösterir.
  - 1. He has been working in the Post Office for the last six months.
  - 2. He has worked in the Post Office since he was 18.
    - c) Yakın samanda bitmiş, etkileri halen devam eden;
  - 1. -Your hands are dirty.- Yes, I have been cleaning the car.
  - d) PPPT bitmiş bir eylemi göstermek için kullanılmaz buna karşın PPT de tamamlanmamış bazı eylemler için kullanılmaz.
  - I have read the book.
     I have finished reading it.)
     I have been reading the book.
     ( I have finished it yet.)
- e) PPPT'nin PASIVE hali yoktur ancak present perfect tense' in pasif haline çok sık rastlanır.
- f) "State" yani durum gösteren fiiller "–ing" ile kullanılmadığı için, *know, have, be* tarzı fiiller PPPT ile kullanılmaz.

**NOT** I have been knowing or I have been having this car

### present perfect simple and continuous present perfect simple: have / has + past participle 1 Have you ever broken a bone? (D) 2.12 I've never seen him before. 2 I've just phoned for an ambulance, but it hasn't arrived yet.

- I've already told you three times.
- 3 It's the best book I've ever read.
- 4 My computer's crashed! Look, it's started snowing.
- 5 I've known Miriam since I was a child. My sister has been ill for ten days now.
- How many Agatha Christie novels have you read? They've seen each other twice this week.
- We use the present perfect simple:
- 1 to talk about past experiences when you don't say when something happened, often with ever or never.
- 2 with just, yet, and already.
- 3 with superlatives and the first, second, last time, etc.
- 4 for finished actions (when no time is specified) which have present results.
- 5 with non-action verbs (= verbs not usually used in the continuous form, e.g. be, need, know, like, etc.) to say that something started in the past and is still true now.
- This use is common with time expressions like How long...?, for or since, all day / evening, etc.
- Don't use the present simple in this situation. NOT + know Miriam since I was a child.
- 6 when we say or ask how much / many we have done or how often we have done something up to now.

#### present perfect continuous: have / has + been + verb + -ing

- 1 How long have you been waiting to see the doctor? ② 2.13 He's been messaging his girlfriend all evening.
- 2 I haven't been sleeping well recently. It's been raining all day.
- I've been shopping all morning. I'm exhausted. My shoes are filthy. I've been working in the garden.

- We use the present perfect continuous:
- 1 with action verbs (e.g. run, listen, study, cook) to say that an action started in the past and is still happening now (unfinished actions).
- This use is common with time expressions like How long...?, for or since, all day / evening, etc.
- Don't use the present continuous in this situation. NOT I'm living here for the last three years.
- 2 for repeated actions, especially with a time expression, e.g. all day, recently.
- 3 for continuous actions which have just finished (but which have present results).

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#### present perfect simple or continuous?

- 1 I've been feeling terrible for days. He's liked classical music since he was a teenager.
- 2 She's been having piano lessons since she was a child. They've had that car for at least ten years.
- We've lived in this town since 1980. We've been living in a rented flat for the last two months.
- 4 I've painted the kitchen. I've been painting the kitchen.
- 1 To talk about an unfinished action, we normally use the present perfect continuous with action verbs (e.g. run, listen, study, cook) and the present perfect simple with non-action verbs (e.g. be, need, know, like, etc.).
- 2 Some verbs can be action or non-action, depending on their meaning, e.g. have piano lessons = action, have a car = non-action.
- 3 With the verbs live or work, you can often use the present perfect simple or continuous. However, we normally use the present perfect continuous for more temporary actions.
- 4 The present perfect simple emphasizes the completion of an action (= the kitchen has been painted). The present perfect continuous emphasizes the duration of an action (= the painting of the kitchen may not be finished yet).

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# Complete the sentence with the present perfect simple or continuous of the verb in brackets.

I've bought a new car. Do you like it? (buy)

- 1 We 've known Jack and Ann for years. (know)
- 2 You look really hot. Have you been working at the gym? (you / work out)
- 3 Emily hasn't done her homework yet, so I'm afraid she can't go out. (not do)
- 4 They don't live in London they 've moved (move)
- 5 I hope they're getting on OK. They 've been arguing a lot recently. (argue)
- 6 We 've been for hours. Is this the right way? (walk)
- 7 Why is my laptop switched on? Have you been using (you / use)
- 8 Oh no! I 've cut my finger on this knife. (cut)

Arkadaşlar, ek ipuçları vereyim sınavlarda işinize yarayabilir bu tarz sınav taktikleri.

İlk soruları Present Perfect Tense ile soruyoruz, zira hayat tecrübesi olarak birisine misal "Have you ever been to Paris?" diyoruz. Tecrübeleri, eğer geçmişe dair bir zaman zarfı kullanmaz isek, özellikle İngiliz İngilizcesinde Present Perfect Tense yapıyoruz. Ancak diğer detay soruları ise, Simple Past Tense ile soruyoruz. Bu YDY sınavlarında da sorulan bir bilgi. Ondan bilmeniz lehinize olur.

### **EXAMPLE:**

Emre: Have you ever been to Paris?

Mahmut Tuncer: Yes, I have been there twice.

Emre: When did you go there? Why did you go there? Where did you stay? Did you rent an Airbnb flat? How much money did you spend there?

versus PRESENT PER FECT SIMPLE (PPS)

PRESENT PER FECT CONTINUOUS (PPC)

# **COMPARE** the Meaning:

I have read the book. (I have fully read and completed reading it.) PPS

I have been reading the book for 6 hours. (I'm still reading it. Not fully completed it yet.) PPC

- 1. PPS shows that an activity (or state) is unfinished. It started in the past and is still continuing.
  - I've been reading a book about elephants. (I'm still reading it.)
  - She's been smoking too much.

PPS shows that an activity or state is finished. The emphasis is on the result of an action.

- I've read a book about elephants. (I finished the book)
- Somebody has smoked all my cigarettes. The packet is empty.

### 2. PPC & PPS are both used but shows a difference.

- a. PPC for continuation.
  - She has been trying to save the elephants. (she's still trying)
  - She has tried to save the elephants. (she tried over a period of time in the recent past)

# b. PPC temporary actions vs. PPS permanent actions

- They've been living in Africa for three years but they are returning to the USA next month.
- They've always lived in Africa.

# 3. PPS → how much someone has done how many times someone has done something how many things someone has done

- I've driven 400 miles today.
- I've read five books about elephants.
- I've visited Anıtkabir many times.
- She's written ten letters.

# PPC → how long?

- I've been reading books about elephants for two months.
- She's been writing letters all day. She is still writing.

# 4. PPS → non-action/states vs. PPC → for action verbs

- I've known him since 2005.
- *I've* had it for twelve years.
- They've been going out together for three months.

# 5. PPC & PPS are used with the same meaning.

- I've been working for the government for fifteen years.
   I've worked for the government for fifteen years.
- I've been living here since 1994.
  I've lived here since 1994.

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