



ENGLISH

Chapter 23 Session A

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SECONDARY

PRESENT PERFECT
The Modern World



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The modern world



Get talking!

- 1** **Talk about the pictures with a partner.**

What can you see? What are the people doing?

2 How often do you change your cell phone?

Conversation





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Diana: Hey, you're late. I've been here for half an hour.

Raymond: Yeah, sorry. I've just bought a new smartphone. Look. It's the latest ... 5G!

Diana: Wow, it's really thin, isn't it?

Raymond: Yeah. And it's flexible. You can bend it ...

Diana: Woah! That's fantastic. Oh, and it has a sixteen megapixel camera.

Raymond: That's right. I've already tried on my way here ... see?

Diana: It's really sharp and clear. Amazing! And it says here you can take videos in HD.

Raymond: Yep. And it has a projector so I can watch movies on the wall at home – big screen viewing!

Diana: Really? What does that symbol mean?

Raymond: That's for scanning my eye to turn it on. It's very secure.
I'm the only one who can use it.

Diana: That's good. So, what's the actual phone like?

Raymond: I don't know. I haven't used the phone yet.
I've been too busy trying out all the other functions!

2

Practice the conversation with a partner.

Language box



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I've been here **for** half an hour.

She's been there **since** 10:30 a.m.

He's **just** bought a new smartphone.

We've **already** downloaded some movies.

He hasn't made a call **yet**.

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Present perfect

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We use the **present perfect** to talk about a period of time up to the present:



I/You/We/They	have	been	here for ten minutes.
He/She	has	worked	here all day.

for/since

I've lived here **for** ten years.

(period of time, e.g., an hour, two months, a year)

She's worked here **since** she graduated.

(point of time, e.g., 1 p.m., 1998, May 23)

just/yet/already

John has **just** bought a new plasma TV.

(very recently)

Have you seen the latest 4G phones **yet**?

(before now, used in questions and negatives)

I've only been here for a week, but I've **already** made a lot of friends.

(before now, possibly quicker than expected)

1 Complete each word or phrase with *for* or *since*.

- 1 _____ a few weeks
- 2 _____ New Year
- 3 _____ last semester
- 4 _____ a while
- 5 _____ nine months
- 6 _____ 4 p.m.
- 7 _____ May
- 8 _____ five minutes
- 9 _____ I was a child
- 10 _____ noon
- 11 _____ a long time
- 12 _____ 2007
- 13 _____ the day before yesterday
- 14 _____ over a year
- 15 _____ a couple of days
- 16 _____ the 1990s

2

Complete each conversation with *just*, *yet*, *already*, *for* or *since*.

- 1 A: Do you want to go shopping?
B: No, I haven't finished my homework _____.
- 2 A: Sorry I'm late. Have I missed anything?
B: No, it's OK. The movie has _____ started.
- 3 A: You know this neighborhood well.
B: Yes, I've lived here _____ I was born.
- 4 A: What's your new cell phone like?
B: I don't know. I've only had it _____ a couple of hours!
- 5 A: Do you want to use the internet?
B: No, I've _____ checked my e-mail today.

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Make questions using *How long* and the present perfect.

you / study English

How long have you studied English?

- 1 you / work here
- 2 you / live at your current address
- 3 you / know your best friend
- 4 you / have your watch
- 5 you / be here

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Challenge!

Practice the conversations in exercise 2 with a partner.
Then ask and answer the questions in exercise 3.

Vocabulary

1 Match each item with a picture.

1 F camera

2 ___ 3-D TV

3 ___ DVD recorder

4 ___ photocopier

5 ___ laptop

6 ___ satnav

7 ___ MP3 player

8 ___ tablet

9 ___ portable
gaming console

10 ___ e-reader

11 ___ wireless
router



A



B



C



D



I



J



E



F



K



G



H

2

**Which items do you own? How long have you had each item?
Tell a partner.**

I have an MP3 player. I've had it for nearly a year.

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Which items might have these problems?

The screen's gone blank.

The lens is scratched.

The memory card's stuck.

It's just crashed.

The remote control won't work.

It won't eject.

It's making a funny noise.

The paper's jammed.

The keyboard's broken.

The picture's fuzzy.

The battery's dead.

Real life exchange





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**87 Listen and complete the conversation.
Then practice with a partner.**

A: Hey, that ¹ _____ looks good. Is it new?

B: Yes, I've only had it ² _____.

A: Have you used it a lot yet?

B: Sure! I've already ³ _____.

A: Good for you. Is it ⁴ _____?

B: Of course. You turn it on like this and then ... Oh no!

A: What's wrong?

B: I think ⁵ _____!

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2 Use these words to make more conversations.

Conversation 1

- 1 satnav
- 2 since last Saturday
- 3 used it twice
- 4 reliable
- 5 the screen is scratched

Conversation 2

- 1 MP3 player
- 2 for a few weeks
- 3 downloaded a lot of music
- 4 very powerful
- 5 the battery's dead

Conversation 3

- 1 DVD recorder
- 2 for a couple of days
- 3 recorded two movies
- 4 high definition
- 5 I've just broken it