Present perfect continuous (I have been doing)

It has been raining 그것(날씨) 는 비가 오고 있어 왔다.

Study this example situation:



Is it raining?

No, but the ground is wet.

It has been raining.

Have/has been -ing is the present perfect continuous:

I/we/they/you have (= I've etc.) (= he's etc.) he/she/it has

been

(지금) 비가 오는중인가?

있어왔다.

아니, 하지만 땅은 젖어있다. 비가 오고

doing waiting playing etc.

We use the present perfect continuous for an activity that has recently stopped or just stopped. There is a connection with now:

- You're out of breath. Have you been running? (= you're out of breath now)
- Paul is very tired. He's been working very hard. (= he's tired now)
- Why are your clothes so dirty? What have you been doing? 옷이 왜이리 더럽니? 너 뭐했어?
- I've been talking to Amanda about the problem and she agrees with me.
- Where have you been? I've been looking for you everywhere.

It has been raining for two hours.

Study this example situation:

일상 대화



It began raining two hours ago and it is still raining.

How long has it been raining?

It has been raining for two hours.

We use the present perfect continuous in this way especially with how long, for ... and since The activity is still happening (as in this example) or has just stopped.

- ☐ How long have you been learning English? (= you're still learning English)
- Tim is still watching TV. He's been watching TV all day.
- Where have you been? I've been looking for you for the last half hour.
- Chris hasn't been feeling well recently.

You can use the present perfect continuous for actions repeated over a period of time:

- Silvia is a very good tennis player. She's been playing since she was eight.
- Every morning they meet in the same cafe. They've been going there for years.

Compare I am doing (see Unit 1) and I have been doing:

현재진행 지금 이라는 시간적 개념을 관통합니다.

I am doing present continuous 대화가 이루어지는 시점입 바로 지금 까 말합니다.

I have been doing 지계속되어온일을 present perfect continuous

now

Don't disturb me now. I'm working.

now

- We need an umbrella. It's raining.
- Hurry up! We're waiting.

- I've been working hard. Now I'm going to have a break.
- The ground is wet. It's been raining.
 - We've been waiting for an hour.

Present perfect continuous and simple → Units 10–11

Present perfect + for/since → Units 11–12