

Exercises

12.1 Write for or since.

- 1 It's been raining since lunchtime.
- 2 Sarah has lived in Paris since 1995.
- 3 Paul has lived in Brazil for ten years.
- 4 I'm tired of waiting. We've been sitting here for an hour.
- 5 Kevin has been looking for a job since he left school.
- 6 I haven't been to a party for ages.
- 7 I wonder where Joe is. I haven't seen him for last week.
- 8 Jane is away. She's been away for Friday.
- 9 The weather is dry. It hasn't rained for a few weeks.

12.2 Write questions with how long and when.

- 1 It's raining.
(how long?) How long has it been raining?
(when?) When did it start raining?
- 2 Kate is learning Japanese.
(how long / learn?)
(when / start?)
- 3 I know Simon.
(how long / you / know?)
(when / you / first / meet?)
- 4 Rebecca and David are married.
(how long?)
(when?)

12.3 Read the situations and complete the sentences.

- 1 It's raining. It's been raining since lunchtime. It started raining at lunchtime.
- 2 Ann and Jess are friends. They first met years ago. They've known each other for years.
- 3 Mark is ill. He became ill on Sunday. He has Sunday.
- 4 Mark is ill. He became ill a few days ago. He has a few days.
- 5 Sarah is married. She's been married for a year. She got
- 6 You have a headache. It started when you woke up.
I've I woke up.
- 7 Sue has been in Italy for the last three weeks.
She went
- 8 You're working in a hotel. You started six months ago.
I've

12.4 Write B's sentences using the words in brackets.

- 1 A: Do you often go on holiday?
B: No, I haven't had a holiday for five years.
- 2 A: Do you often see Laura?
B: No, I about a month.
- 3 A: Do you often go to the cinema?
B: No, a long time.
- 4 A: Do you often eat in restaurants?
B: No, ages.

Now write B's answers again. This time use **It's ... since ...**

- 5 (1) No, it's five years since I had a holiday.
- 6 (2) No, its
- 7 (3) No,
- 8 (4)