



## Exercise 34

### Present Tense

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Fill in the spaces with the correct form of the verb in present perfect progressive tense.

**Note:** The present perfect progressive tense expresses the idea that something has happened continuously since some time in the past, and is still happening now.

**Example:** I / You / We / They (work) have been working for two hours.

**Example:** He / She / It (work) has been working for two hours.



- 1) I (write) \_\_\_\_\_ my new book for ten months.  
Writing it has taken a lot of hard work and research. Thankfully, it is almost finished.
- 2) The runners (race) \_\_\_\_\_ since 9:00 in the morning. Now it is 3:00 p.m., and the leaders are about to cross the finish line.
- 3) The weather has been dreary all week. It (rain) \_\_\_\_\_ since Monday. Hopefully, we will have some sunshine this weekend.
- 4) Anthony (play) \_\_\_\_\_ soccer his entire life. Soon, he will go to college on a soccer scholarship.
- 5) The baby (cry) \_\_\_\_\_ all night. He has been doing that every night since he was born. His parents are so tired. They are hoping that his sleeping habits will change soon!
- 6) Julian and I (try) \_\_\_\_\_ to find jobs for two weeks. We are a little discouraged, but we cannot give up.
- 7) Mrs. Burk is giving her students an algebra test right now. The students (take) \_\_\_\_\_ the test for thirty-five minutes. They have five minutes until time is up.
- 8) Ichiro is worried because his keys are lost. He needs to go to work. He (look) \_\_\_\_\_ for them for fifteen minutes. Let's help him.