

LearnEnglish Select Upper Intermediate

8.3 Informal project review

Useful language

Interacting and reacting informally

So, what have you been up to?
Great to see you.
How's it been going since you got back?
Did you really! How was it?
You must be kidding.

Encouraging and inviting other opinions

Do you think that's a good idea?
You were about to tell me what you wanted to discuss
What did you mean by that?
But you did something like that before, didn't you?
What's your take on that?
Does that make sense?

Expressing contrast

On the other hand, ...
With ... you have real highs but you also have real lows.
I thought I'd find it really ... , but in fact it was ...
Tiring but fun.
Unlike you, I ...

Work relationships

to believe in someone/something
to give support
to rely on someone
to rally round
to lend someone a helping hand
to share ideas
to make suggestions

Expressions with up

use up
uplifting
upskill
to be up for it
it's up to you
what have you been up to?

Grammar

Present perfect continuous

We use the present perfect continuous to describe ongoing actions, events or situations that started in the past and continue up to, or almost to, the present moment in time:

I've been meeting up with friends and doing sensible things.

We often use *for* or *since* with the present perfect continuous. *For* is followed by a reference to the duration of an occurrence:

She's been talking to her manager for three hours. They're still talking.

Check my progress

Are these statements true for you? If not, go back and do some activities from the unit again.

	Yes	No
I can talk about a project informally with peers.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I can invite others' opinions.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I can share ideas about personal evaluation.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>