1. Complete the sentences in the Present Perfect Continuous to describe the duration of the unfinished actions:



a. Chris is practicing the guitar. He started practicing thirty minutes ago.
Chris has been practicing the guitar for thirty minutes.



b. The man is working. He started working at 8 AM.
The man has been working since 8 AM.



c. Andrea usually goes to Jamaica for her vacation. She started going there four years ago.
Andrea has been going to Jamaica for her vacation for four years.



d. I usually do my grocery shopping at Mary's Market. I started going there when it opened in 2002.
I have been doing my grocery shopping at Mary's Market since 2002.



e. I am waiting in line. I joined the line ten minutes ago.
I have been waiting in line for ten minutes.



f. It’s snowing. The snow started an hour ago.
It has been snowing for an hour.



g. Susan is learning how to drive. She started learning about six months ago.
She has been learning how to drive for six months.



h. Will smokes. He started smoking when he was 13 years old.
Will has been smoking since he was 13 years old.



i. Jane plays the drums in a band. She joined the band a year ago.
Jane has been playing the drums in a band for a year.



j. Kate takes the subway to work. She started doing this a couple of years ago.
Kate has been taking the subway to work for a couple of years.



k. Jen and Stacey are watching a movie. They started the movie about an hour and a half ago.
Jen and Stacey have been watching a movie for an hour and a half.



l. Jeff plays tennis. He started playing tennis when he was in high school.
Jeff has been playing tennis since he was in high school.

2. Complete the sentences with for or since:

a. He has been in this country since 1987.

b. I've been waiting for many hours.

c. She's had that dress for a couple years.

d. The author has been writing since he finished university.

e. I've lived in this building for ten years.

f. We've only had that car for six months.

g. I've been reading this magazine since I was a child.

h. The team has been competing since the season started.

i. I've admired her music since her debut album.

j. He's been wearing glasses for a few years.

k. There have been hundreds of accidents on this road since 2008.

l. I've only been here for a couple of minutes.

3. Choose the correct word(s) to complete each sentence. For some, both answers are correct:



a. She’s … a cold for the past few days.

- had
- been having



b. He’s … for this company for many years.

- worked
- been working



c. I’ve … playing hockey since I was a child.

- liked
- been liking



d. My brother’s … a shower for twenty minutes.

- taken
- been taking



e. It’s … for the last two days.

- rained
- been raining



f. I've … the drums since I was in high school.

- played
- been playing



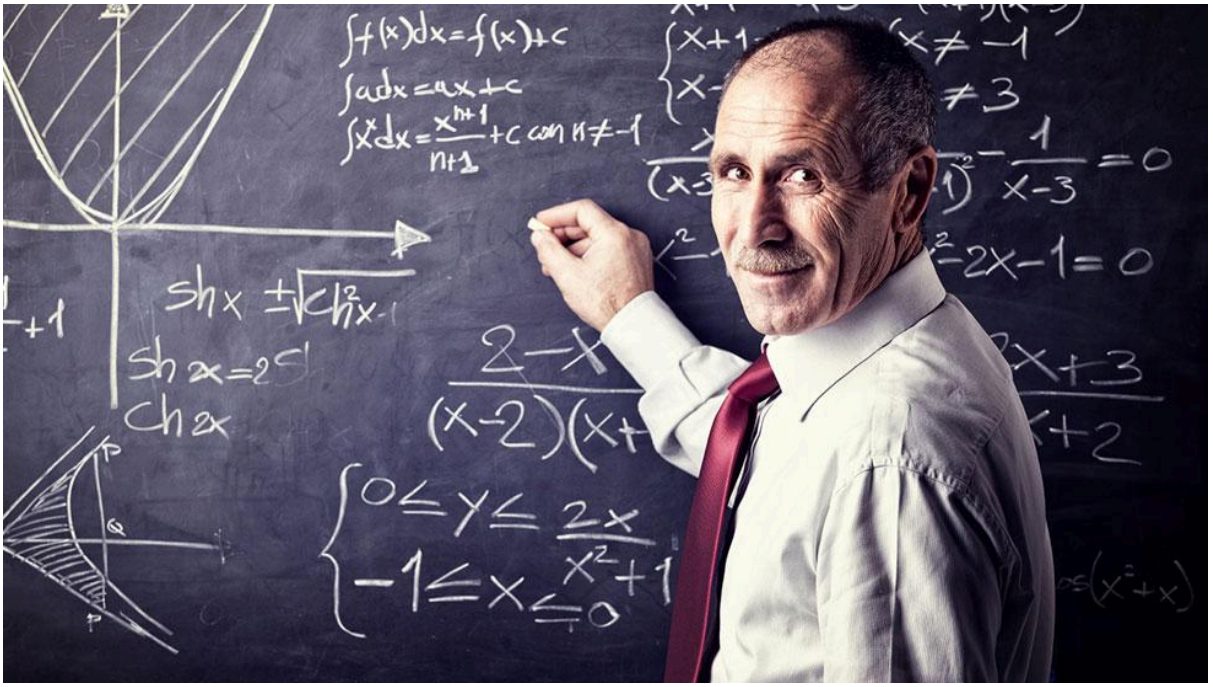
g. She's … glasses for many years.

- worn
- been wearing



h. We've … each other since we started working together a few years ago.

- known
- been knowing



i. Mr. Dumont's … math for over thirty years.

- taught
- has been teaching



j. We've … coming to the restaurant since the first time we ate here.

- loved
- been loving



k. I've … the piano since my grandmother gave it to me a few years ago.

- owned
- been owning



I. My husband has … since he was a teenager.

- smoked
- been smoking

4. Complete the questions:

a. how long / Steve / work / today
How long has Steve been working today?

b. how long / you / have / your computer
How long have you had your computer?

c. you / wait / for me / for a long time
Have you been waiting for me for a long time?

d. how long / Christine / speak / French
How long has Christine spoken / been speaking French?

e. you / be / here / since 5 PM or 6 PM
Have you been here since 5 PM or 6 PM?

f. how long / there / be / a problem?
How long has there been a problem?

g. how long / you / be / interested in photography
How long have you been interested in photography?

h. you / know / Tom / for a long time
Have you known Tom for a long time?

i. how long / she / be / sick
How long has she been sick?

j. it / rain / for a long time
Has it been raining for a long time?

5. Use the verbs in parentheses to complete the sentences:



a. Paul has been playing (play) for the team since 2007. His team has won (win) the league title four times since then.



b. I have been painting (paint) for two years. I haven't sold (not sell) any of my paintings yet.



c. Liam has made (make) a lot of money by playing poker. He has been playing (play) professionally for the past five years.



d. Adele has released (release) three studio albums as of 2016. She has been making (make) music since she was a child.



e. I've been drinking (drink) coffee all morning. So far, I've already had (already have) four cups.



f. We've caught (catch) only one fish, but we've been fishing (fish) for more than six hours.



g. I’ve been using this camera for the past few days, and I’ve taken some amazing shots with it.