

Free English Grammar * Gramática Inglesa Gratis

Present Perfect Continuous

I have been working	=	(He estado trabajando)
You have been working	=	(Has estado trabajando)
He has been working	=	(Ha estado trabajando) etc.

Forma Afirmativa

I	have been	working
you	have been	working
he	has been	working
we	have been	working
you	have been	working
they	have been	working

Forma Interrogativa

have	I	been working?
have	you	been working?
has	he	been working?
have	we	been working?
have	you	been working?
have	they	been working?

Forma Negativa

I	have not been	working
you	have not been	working
he	has not been	working
we	have not been	working
you	have not been	working
they	have not been	working

Forma Contracta

I	haven't been	working
you	haven't been	working
he	hasn't been	working
we	haven't been	working
you	haven't been	working
they	haven't been	working

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El "*Present Perfect Continuous*" se usa para expresar una acción que empezó en el *pasado* y que continúa en el *presente*.
Se usa a menudo con las preposiciones "*since*" y "*for*".

since = desde (acción continuada seguida por una expresión con origen temporal)

Abel was studying at four o'clock.

+ He is studying now.

= He has been studying **since** four o'clock.

for = por, durante (está seguida por un *período* de tiempo)

Debra was playing the piano two hours ago.

+ She is playing the piano now.

= She has been playing the piano **for** two hours.

> Abel **has been studying** history **since** half past three.

Debra **has been playing** the piano **for** two hours.

Margaret **has been waiting** for Tom **since** ten o'clock.

since = desde

> Mrs Paganini **has been working** in the garden **since** nine o'clock.

The Wilsons **have been living** in Florence **since** 2005.

George **has been working** in London **since** he was twenty.

for = por

> Mrs Paganini **has been working** in the garden **for** two hours.

The Paganini family **has been living** in Florence **for** five years.

George **has been working** in London **for** many years.

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nota importante

Mark **has run** for 2 hours.

> (*Quiere decir: Mark ha corrido por dos horas... pero ahora ha terminado.*)

> Mark **has been running** for 2 hours.

(*Quiere decir: Mark ha corrido por dos horas... y está todavía corriendo.*)

How long? = ¿Por cuánto tiempo?

Observa el uso del "*Present Perfect Continuous*" en las frases siguientes:

- How long have you been studying English?

- I have been studying English since I was eleven.

- How long have you been watching TV?

- I have been watching TV for an hour.

- How long has it been raining?

- I think it has been raining for more than two hours.

- How long has Mr Wilson been living in Florence?

- He has been living in Florence for five years.

- How long has Robert been working at the car factory?

- He has been working there since he was twenty-four.

- How long has Millie's mother been saying that Robert is a little strange?

- She has been saying it for many years.