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10 Obsessions

Present Perfect Continuous • Time expressions • Compound nouns • Questions

TEST YOUR GRAMMAR

- 1 For each pair, match a line in A with a line or picture in B.

A	B
1 What do you do What are you doing	on the floor? for a living?
2 He speaks He's speaking	three languages. to the teacher.
3 She has She's having	a baby next month. a house by the sea.
4 What have you done What have you been doing	with my pen? I can't find it. since I last saw you?
5 Who drank my juice?	



Who's been drinking my juice?



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| 6 I read that book.
I was reading that book | It was really good.
when you called. |
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- 2 Look at the second sentence in each pair. What do the verbs have in common?

TONY'S PHONE BILL

Present Perfect Continuous

- 1 **T 10.1** Read and listen to the newspaper article. Answer the questions.

- How much was the phone bill?
- Why did his father buy him a mobile?
- What has he done with the phone now?
- Where has Tony been working?

Dad bans phone after 3,500 texts

A Manchester teenager has received a phone bill for over £450 after sending 3,500 text messages in just one month.

Tony Russell has had his new 'state of the art' mobile phone for only three months, but now his father, Lionel, has taken it away.

'He's been asking me for a mobile for years because all his friends have got one,' explained Lionel. 'I finally bought one for his birthday because he's been doing so well at school, but he and his mates are "texting crazy". They do it all the time - on buses, in the school playground. They even text each other from different sides of the school playground. They've got "textitis".'

Tony said 'I thought texting was much cheaper than phoning, so I've been texting my friends all day long and even into the early hours of the morning. I've been going to bed at 2.00 most nights. Sometimes my hand hurt from pressing the buttons so much, but I was having such good fun that I couldn't bear to stop.'

His father said, 'I have forgiven him, but I am angry with the phone company as they are encouraging this craze.' He has made his son promise to pay back the money, so Tony has been working on Saturdays. He has found a job in a shoe shop. So far he has paid back £46. 'I reckon it will take me about a year to clear this debt,' he said.

- 2 Here are the answers to some questions about Tony. Write the questions using *he*.

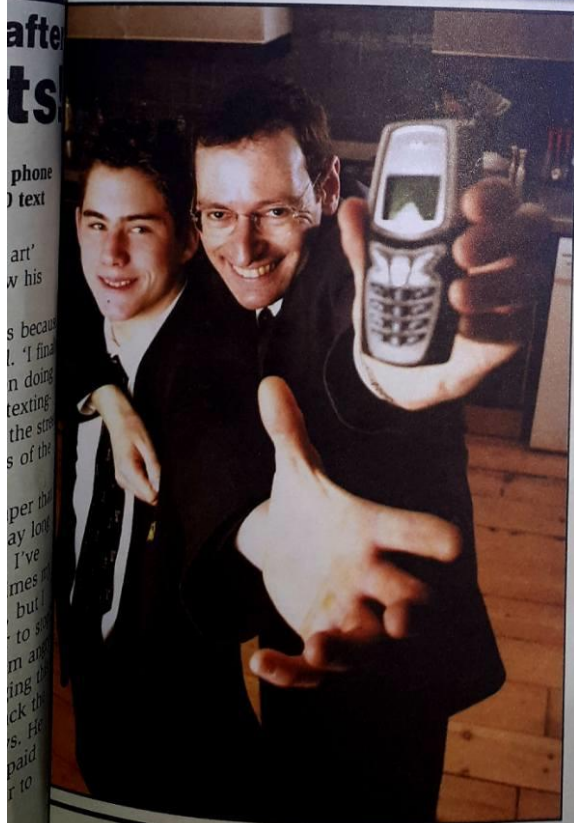
- 1 Three months. (*How long ... ?*)
- 2 For years. (*How long ... ?*)
- 3 Because all his friends have got one. (*Why ... want ... ?*)
- 4 His friends. (*Who ... texting?*)
- 5 2.00 (*What time ... ?*)
- 6 Yes, he has. (*... forgiven ... ?*)
- 7 £46. (*How much ... ?*)
- 8 About a year. (*How long ... ?*)

T 10.2 Listen and check.

GRAMMAR SPOT

- 1 Underline examples of the Present Perfect Simple and the Present Perfect Continuous in the text.
- 2 Look at the questions below. Which one asks about an activity? Which one asks about a quantity?
How long have you been learning English?
How many teachers have you had?

▶▶ Grammar Reference 10.1 and 10.2 p148



PRACTICE Conversations

- 1 Write questions with *How long ... ?* Use either the Present Perfect Simple or Continuous. (If both are possible, use the continuous form.)
- 1 I live in the country. *How long have you been living in the country?*
 - 2 I play tennis.
 - 3 I know Jack well.
 - 4 I work in Hong Kong.
 - 5 I have a Japanese car.

- 2 Make sentences using the same verbs about yourself. With a partner, ask and answer questions with *How long ... ?*

- 3 For each sentence in exercise 1, write a question in the Past Simple.

- 1 When _____ move there?
- 2 How old _____ when _____ started _____?
- 3 Where _____ meet _____?
- 4 Why _____ decide _____?
- 5 How much _____ pay _____?

- 4 **T 10.3** Read and listen to the conversation.

- A You look happy. What have you been doing?
B I'm really excited! I've been getting ready to go on holiday.
A Have you done everything?
B Well, I've picked up the tickets and I've been to the bank, but I haven't packed yet.

Make similar conversations with a partner.

- 1 A covered in paint/what/do?
B redecorate the bathroom.
A finish yet?
B paint the door and the ceiling/not put up the wallpaper yet.
- 2 A hands dirty/what/do?
B filthy/work in the garden.
A finish yet?
B cut the grass/not water the flowers yet.
- 3 A your eyes red/what/do?
B exhausted/revise for my exams.
A finish them yet?
B do chemistry and history/not do English yet.

T 10.4 Listen and compare. Practise the conversations again.

Discussing grammar

- 5 Why are these sentences strange? What would be better?
- 1 Ouch! I've been cutting my finger.
 - 2 'Why is your hair wet?' 'I've swum.'
 - 3 You've got tears in your eyes. Why have you cried?
 - 4 I'm really sorry, but I've been crashing into the back of your car.
 - 5 I've written my autobiography this afternoon.



A LIFELONG PASSION

Time expressions

- 1 Astrid Johnsson is a cellist. She has had an interesting life so far. Look quickly through the chart of events in her life. What are some of the things she has done?

Age	Life Event
0	Born on 4 March, 1960, in Sweden
3	Started playing the cello
8	Won award for <i>Young Musician of the Year</i> , toured with the Swedish Youth Orchestra
11	August 1971, performed in classical music festival in Stockholm
18–22	Won scholarship and studied at the Royal Academy of Music, London
19	Met her first husband
21	Got married in spring 1981
22	Received Master of Music Degree. Played in world concerts and festivals. Appeared on British TV with the London Symphony Orchestra
23	Daughter born 9 July, 1983
29	Got divorced. Toured Japan, the US, and Canada with the Chamber Orchestra of Great Britain
31	Bought a flat in New York
33–37	Composed concertos and European film soundtracks. Met Georges Leveaux, a conductor
38	3 August, 1998, married Georges; moved to Paris
40	Won <i>Best European Film Soundtrack</i> 1999
42	Began teaching at the Music Centre, in Paris, and working as a visiting lecturer to music schools worldwide
NOW	Still teaching cello and lecturing

Astrid Johnsson

2 Answer the questions.

- How long has she been playing the cello?
- Which orchestras has she played with?
- What sort of music has she composed?
- What has she won?
- How long has she been married to Georges?
- How many times has she been married?
- How long was she married to her first husband?
- How long has she been teaching the cello and lecturing?





- 3 Complete these sentences with the phrases from the box.

while she was at music school
after winning the award
at the age of three
until she married Georges
since she married Georges
while she was composing
two years after she got married
between 1978 and 1982

- 1 She started having cello lessons _____.
- 2 _____ for *Young Musician of the Year*, she toured schools with the Swedish Youth Orchestra.
- 3 She was at the Royal Academy of Music _____.
- 4 She met her first husband _____.
- 5 Her daughter was born _____.
- 6 She met Georges _____ concertos and European film soundtracks.
- 7 She lived in New York _____.
- 8 She's been living in Paris _____.

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PRACTICE

Questions and answers

- 1 Ask and answer the questions about Astrid.
 - 1 When ... born?
 - 2 When ... given the award of *Young Musician of the Year*?
 - 3 When ... go to the Royal Academy of Music?
 - 4 What ... her daughter born?
 - 5 Which countries ... lived in?
 - 6 When ... appear on British TV?
 - 7 How many children ... ?
 - 8 How long ... in Paris?

When was she born?

In 1960.

T 10.5 Listen and check.

- 2 Make a similar chart of the events in your life or the life of someone you know well. Ask and answer questions with a partner.

A lecture tour

- 3 Astrid is on a two-week lecturing tour of England and Scotland. Look at her schedule.

	WEEK 1	WEEK 2
SUNDAY	London	Birmingham
MONDAY	London	Manchester
TUESDAY	London	Manchester
WEDNESDAY	London	Edinburgh
THURSDAY	Oxford	Edinburgh
FRIDAY	Oxford	Edinburgh
SATURDAY	Birmingham	Fly home to Paris

- 4 It is Monday of the second week, and Astrid is being interviewed by a journalist. How does she answer these questions?

- 1 How long are you here in Britain for? **Just two weeks.**
- 2 How long have you been in Britain?
- 3 Where were you the day before yesterday?
- 4 Where were you this time last week?
- 5 Where will you be the day after tomorrow?
- 6 Where will you be a week today?

T 10.6 Listen and check.

Discussing grammar

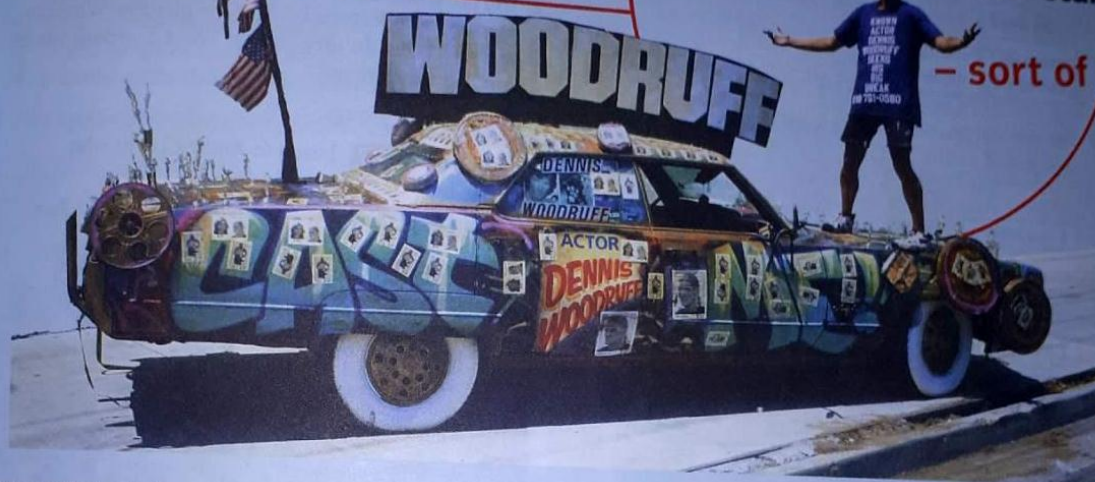
- 5 Correct the mistakes in the questions.

- 1 What time did you go to bed at last night?
- 2 What have you done last weekend?
- 3 What are you doing this night?
- 4 Are you going to study English the next month?
- 5 Have you been studying English since three years?
- 6 How long you live in this city?
- 7 When is your father born?
- 8 How long have you been knowing your teacher?

- 6 Ask and answer the questions with a partner.

OURS being famous

Dennis
Woodruff
Hollywood 'movie' star
- sort of



But mostly he is known as the hippie guy with the long blond ponytail, who is trapped in the only role he has been able to play with any success - playing Dennis. Everything about Dennis has to do with selling himself. He talks constantly about his life, his talent, his artistic abilities, his ambitions. His never-ending search for work in the film industry no longer has any realistic chance of success, so now he acts out the role of an actor looking for work. 'Cast me!' shouts the writing on his car. 'Buy my movie!'

'Actually,' says Dennis, 'I am a movie star. It's just that no one has realized it yet.' His 'movies', titled *Dennis Woodruff the Movie*, *Parts I and II* and *Double Feature*, starring Dennis Woodruff are heavily autobiographical - more documentaries of his life than anything else. You can watch him auditioning for parts in

front of the security cameras at local restaurants. People recognize him and then, sadly, ignore him.

He has rugged, unconventional good looks, though he seems tired. 'I've been making another movie about me. It's called *Life Is Art*. I want to show everyone how my life is like a work of art.'

One of the most miserable tales he tells is about how he nearly made the big time. The famous actor John Wayne was going to give him a break, but unfortunately he died. Legendary producer Otto Preminger wanted to make him a star. He also died.

Now nearly 50, Dennis first had the idea of promoting himself over 20 years ago when he

asked a casting director why he had been turned down for a part. 'Because you're not a big name in Hollywood,' came the answer. Dennis immediately wrote his name in huge letters on the top of his car. It didn't get him any work, but it did get him noticed.

He's been living in a mobile home in East Hollywood for 30 years, and to his credit, he manages to earn a living. He has set up a production company with his brother, and he has sold 15,000 copies of his video. True success, he feels, is just around the corner. Now there's optimism for you.

