

GRAMMAR

PRESENT PERFECT CONTINUOUS / PAST PERFECT CONTINUOUS

1 Choose the correct answer to complete a logical sentence that follows the first.

- A Japanese boy joined our class and he's finding the language barrier very difficult. He **has been/ had been** using a translation app to communicate with us.
- Gemma didn't know James was going to the Chinese New Year festival. She **hasn't been / hadn't been** listening to him.
- I fell asleep in the middle of class. I **have been/ had been** playing computer games all night.
- I know you're frustrated about your English. You **haven't been/ hadn't been** making much progress recently.

2 Complete the blog post with the verbs below. Use the Present Perfect Continuous or Past Perfect Continuous.

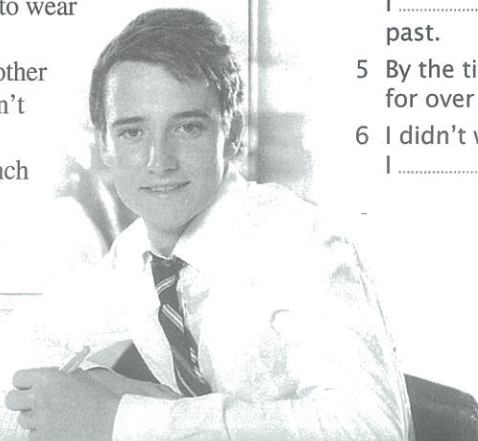
play | wear | not work | take | increase
improve | not expect | live



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Last August my family moved from Spain to Australia, so I
 1. in Melbourne for almost a year now. It was really hard at first because I discovered that I
 2. hard enough on my English back in Alicante. Thankfully, it 3. all the time, and now I even speak with an Australian accent!

So, what are the main differences between school here and school in Spain? First of all, we've got a school uniform. I
 4. the uniform for a few months now, so it feels normal, but it was definitely strange at first. Also, schools here have a strict "no hat, no play" policy. On my first day, I was sent inside during break because I 5. football without a hat. In Australia, you have to wear a hat outside because skin cancer rates
 6. in recent years. Another big difference is lunch. Australian schools don't have a canteen, so my sister and I
 7. our own packed lunch to school each day. I knew things would be different here, but I 8. them to be this different!



3 Match A to B and complete the sentences in A with the verbs in brackets. Use the Present Perfect Continuous or Past Perfect Continuous.

A

- Our class (work) on this project all week.
- My family (not live) in this house for very long.
- We (read) about the history of our town.
- I (confuse) Joss with his twin brother for weeks.
- My dad (post) messages online to find out more about our family history.
- We (walk) through Lisbon for hours in the hot sun.

B

- So now we know a lot more about our local heritage.
- Unfortunately, he hasn't found any information about our roots.
- That's why we don't know the neighbours very well.
- I was really embarrassed when I realised.
- We were exhausted when we got back to the hotel.
- Maybe that's why we're so tired of it.

4 Complete the sentences with the verbs in brackets. Use the Past Perfect Simple or Past Perfect Continuous.

- Last year, I went to Paris. I (not be) to a foreign country before.
- We were very worried about Tim. We (look for) him all day.
- Our ski trip was a disaster. The resorts were closed because it (rain) for over a week.
- I was very nervous when I went onstage, even though I (perform) many times in the past.
- By the time we left, we (work) for over six hours.
- I didn't want to go out before I (finish) my homework.

UNIT 1

VOCABULARY Page 8

- 1**
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|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1 values | 5 language barrier |
| 2 misconception | 6 roots |
| 3 culture gap | 7 outlook |
| 4 manners | |
- 2**
- | | |
|-------------|----------|
| 1 trendy | 4 rarely |
| 2 difficult | 5 shy |
| 3 rejects | 6 always |
- 3**
- | | |
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| 1 rude | 5 appropriate |
| 2 alike | 6 open-minded |
| 3 tend to | 7 foreign |
| 4 sensitive | |
- 4** Possible answers
- 1 long for the past
 - 2 stay behind with me so that we can speak to the teacher
 - 3 resentful of his success
 - 4 have lost touch with Martin years ago
 - 5 attempting to win the city volleyball championship

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- 5** Accept all logical and grammatically correct answers.
- 6**
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| 1 stand up for | 5 carry out |
| 2 stick to | 6 make of |
| 3 dress up | 7 call on |
| 4 show off | |
- 7**
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|----------------|-----------------|
| 1 culture gap | 4 stuck to |
| 2 attempted to | 5 misconception |
| 3 longing for | 6 values |

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- 1**
- | | |
|---------------|----------------|
| 1 has been | 3 had been |
| 2 hadn't been | 4 haven't been |
- 2**
- 1 have been living
 - 2 hadn't been working
 - 3 has been improving
 - 4 have been wearing
 - 5 had been playing
 - 6 have been increasing
 - 7 have been taking
 - 8 hadn't been expecting

- 3**
- 1 f, has been working
 - 2 c, hasn't been living
 - 3 a, have been reading
 - 4 d, had been confusing
 - 5 b, has been posting
 - 6 e, had been walking

- 4**
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|------------------------|--------------------|
| 1 hadn't been | 4 had performed |
| 2 had been looking for | 5 had been working |
| 3 had been raining | 6 had finished |

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- 5**
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| 1 a | 2 b | 3 a |
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- 6**
- 1 has / have been talking
 - 2 had recorded
 - 3 had been looking for
 - 4 have been researching
 - 5 had been walking
 - 6 have known
 - 7 have chosen
 - 8 had cut down

- 7**
- 1 I found a bag in the market after I **had been looking** for one for two days!
 - 2 My mum **has been teaching / has taught** Irish dance since 2010.
 - 3 The girls will be hungry because **they've been swimming** in the pool.
 - 4 Carrie learnt how to play that song after she **had been** practising it for a month!
 - 5 I started a vlog about folklore a year ago, and I've already **posted** 30 videos.
- 8**
- 1 Han estado aprendiendo sobre el origen del jazz.
 - 2 No me he estado adaptando bien en mi nuevo colegio.
 - 3 Nick había estado corriendo cuando se cayó.
 - 4 Hasta que fui a Marruecos, nunca había tomado hummus.
 - 5 Kim acaba de escribir un libro sobre modales.

- 9**
- 1 go to the party because Danny hadn't invited me
 - 2 have you been taking salsa lessons
 - 3 had been climbing for three hours when we reached the top of the mountain
 - 4 haven't spoken to Allie for six months
 - 5 has just arrived for you (a few minutes ago)

VOCABULARY Page 12

- 1**
- | | |
|----------|----------|
| 1 fell | 4 caught |
| 2 lost | 5 lost |
| 3 caught | 6 caught |

- 2**
- | | |
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| 1 popular | 4 home |
| 2 upset | 5 studying |
| 3 attractive | 6 can't |