

Le present perfect continu

Durée : 55 min

Barème : / 20 points

Barème : 1 point par question, soit 4 points par exercice

Unités : réponse sans unité = 0,5 point retiré

1 Compréhension de l'écrit : un article

/ 4 pts

- a. For three years; since last spring.
- b. « I've been doing this since my husband died. »
- c. They have been collecting litter along the river; they have filled more than 200 bags so far.
- d. « We've been talking » (continu) insiste sur la durée d'une activité répétée depuis des semaines ; « they haven't answered yet » (simple) fait le bilan d'un résultat : aucune réponse à ce jour.

Méthode — Dans un article, repère les marqueurs for, since, so far, yet : ils annoncent un present perfect et t'indiquent si l'on parle de durée (continu) ou de bilan (simple).

2 Compréhension de l'écrit : lecture d'un tableau

/ 4 pts

- a. Dev has been training the longest: four months (since 15 January). Bilal started the most recently (1 April).
- b. Aline has run the most kilometres so far: she has run 180 km.
- c. Ex.: Bilal has been training since 1 April. / He has been training for six weeks (about a month and a half), five times a week.
- d. Ex.: Chloé has run only 70 km because she was injured for two weeks in April and she has been training only twice a week. Dev has been training since January, but he has often missed sessions, so he has run only 60 km.

Repère — Un tableau avec une date de début et une date du jour appelle since (la date) ou for (la durée calculée) : vérifie ton calcul avant d'écrire la phrase.

3 Grammaire : simple ou continu, for ou since

/ 4 pts

- a. have been drilling ; haven't been sleeping ; Have you been waiting.
- b. has known (état) ; has drunk (résultat / quantité) ; have been talking (durée).
- c. since 2021 ; for five years ; five years ago (I started five years ago).
- d. « My aunt has been living in Bristol for ten years, and she has known her neighbours for a long time. » (has been living ; for ; has known)

Erreur fréquente — Le présent + since (I am living here since) est le calque du français le plus fréquent : dès que tu vois « depuis », pense present perfect, puis choisis for (durée) ou since (départ).

4 Lexique et formes

/ 4 pts

- a. running, writing, lying, travelling, beginning, tying, sitting, arguing.
- b. Action: wait, learn, build, practise — State: belong, own, want, seem.
- c. for ages ; lately (recently) ; all day ; since I was a child.
- d. « I've cleaned the kitchen » means the job is finished (result: the kitchen is clean now). « I've been cleaning the kitchen » insists on the activity and its duration (I'm tired, maybe I haven't finished).

Astuce — Devant un verbe, demande-toi s'il décrit une action (on peut la voir faire) ou un état (on ne la voit pas) : seule l'action accepte been + V-ing.

5 Expression écrite guidée

/ 4 pts

- a. Ex.: Hi Jamie, our class has been preparing a play since February; we've been working on it for three months now.
- b. Lately, I've been learning my lines every evening and we've been rehearsing in the gym twice a week.
- c. So far, we have sold 120 tickets and we have already built the whole set.
- d. I'm exhausted because I've been sleeping only six hours a night, but I can't wait for the first night! Write soon, (name)

Le point clé — Un texte réussi alterne le continu (ce que tu fais depuis des semaines) et le simple (ce que tu as obtenu jusqu'ici) : c'est cette alternance que le correcteur attend.