

5C – Preview Answers



You choose

Use *for* or *since* to fill in the blanks below.

1. I've been running *for* half an hour.
2. I've been running *since* 7 a.m.
3. Jane has been doing her homework *for* hours.
4. Daniel has been talking on the phone *since* 10 a.m.
5. I've been feeling sick *since* last night.
6. Vladimir has been studying English *for* four years.
7. My mother's been working in the garden *for* two hours.
8. I've been waiting in this line *since* early this morning.
9. The baby's been sleeping *for* a few hours.
10. I've been thinking about that *since* yesterday.



You try

Answers may vary.

Look at the information and write a sentence with the same meaning using *for* or *since*.

1. Helen started cooking one hour ago. She is still in the kitchen.
Helen has been cooking for one hour.

2. David works at a garage. He started working there in September.
David has been working at a garage since September.
3. Nicole is studying Spanish. She started studying Spanish four months ago.
Nicole has been studying Spanish for four months.
4. Jack is an accountant. He started working after he graduated.
Jack has been working as an accountant since he graduated.
5. Your dog is sleeping outside. It went to sleep after lunch.
Your dog has been sleeping outside since lunchtime.
6. You joined the line for concert tickets one hour ago. You are still waiting.
You have been queuing for concert tickets for an hour.
7. Kate is saving money for a trip around the world. She started saving when she was nineteen.
Kate has been saving for a trip around the world since she was nineteen.
8. Tim started looking for his keys ten minutes ago but couldn't find them. He's still looking for them.
Tim has been looking for his keys for ten minutes.



Your turn

Answers will vary.

*How long have you been studying English? How long have you been studying at this school?
I have been studying English since I was nine years old, and I have been studying at this school for about five weeks.*

*How long have you been living in your city? How about in your house?
I've been living here for two months. I moved into a small apartment on the day I arrived.*

*Have you been saving money recently? What for?
I've been saving money since last month to buy my wife a special birthday present.*