Exercises (3ème) [PRESENT PERFECT BE + V-ING]

1. What have they been doing? what has been happening?

What have these people been doing or what has been happening?

1. They ...........................................

2. She ................................................

3. They ................................................

4. He ................................................

5. ..........................................................

6. ..........................................................

7. ..........................................................

2. Write a question for each situation

- John looks sunburnt. You ask : you / sit in the sun? → Have you been sitting in the sun?

- You’ve just arrived to meet a friend who is waiting for you. You ask : you / wait / long?

→ ...........................................................

- Your friend’s hands are dirty. You ask : what / you / do?

→ ...........................................................

- A friend tells you he sells computers. You ask : how long / you / sell computers.

→ ...........................................................

3. Read the situations and complete the sentences.

- The rain started 2 hours ago. It’s still raining. → It’s been raining FOR 2 hours.

- We started waiting for the bus 20 minutes ago. We’re still waiting (the bus has not arrived yet).

→ We .......................................................... FOR ........................................

- Ann began looking for a job 6 months ago, and she’s still doing so (she has not found a job yet).

→ She ..........................................................

- Mary started working in London on 18 January, and she’s still working there now.

→ ................................................................. SINCE 18 January.
1. Choisis entre FOR et SINCE

-Christmas
-twenty hours
-more than a year
-I was ten
-my sister's birthday
-six weeks
-the fifties
-the last two days
-four o'clock

2. Conjugue le verbe et complète par FOR ou since

-David's stepmother (live) in Cardiff since 1995
-She (be married) to Mr Lloyd from seven years
-She (know) her husband from a long time
-Mr Lloyd (not see) his parents since Christmas
-David (be) keen on rugby since 2 years
-I (know) David since I was ten.
-He (live) near Cardiff. He (live) there since he was born
-I (not – see) him very often. I (not – see) him last August.
-His parents (be) divorced. They (be) divorced a long time.

3. Souligne les groupes verbaux dans les reponses, puis pose les questions correspondant aux mots en italique.

a) My parents have been married for 20 years
b) I've known Peter since he was 12
c) He's been a mechanic for 6 months now
d) Frank left NY two years ago
e) She's worked in this school for about ten years, I think
f) Diana goes swimming twice a week
g) I've had a motorbike since my 16th birthday

4. Traduis

I've lived in Bordeaux for 3 years.
Il vit à Lille depuis 5 ans.
She has had a car since 2005.
Elle a eu une voiture pendant 10 ans.
Cela fait 10 ans qu'elle a une voiture.
Je connais ce peintre depuis 2000.
Il est malade depuis une semaine.
Il est malade depuis 16h.
Aimes-tu le rugby ? depuis quand ? Depuis que j'ai commencé à jouer.