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Present Perfect vs. Present Tense Present Perfect vs. Past Tense Since / For

- Discussing Duration of Activity
- Medical Symptoms and Problems
- Career Advancement
- Telling About Family Members

VOCABULARY PREVIEW



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|------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| 1. astronaut | 6. guidance counselor | 11. police officer |
| 2. cashier | 7. guitarist | 12. president |
| 3. clerk | 8. journalist | 13. salesperson |
| 4. computer programmer | 9. manager | 14. taxi driver |
| 5. doctor/physician | 10. musician | 15. vice president |

How Long?

for	since
three hours	three o'clock
two days	yesterday afternoon
a week	last week
a long time	2000
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- How long have you known* each other?
- We've known each other for three years.

*know - knew - known



- How long have you been sick?
- I've been sick since last Friday.



- How long have Tom and Janet known each other?
two years



- How long have Mr. and Mrs. García been married?
1995



3. How long have you had a stomachache?
ten o'clock this morning



4. How long has Melanie had the measles?
five days



5. How long has Ms. Bennett been a guidance counselor?
nineteen years



6. How long have there been satellites in space?
1957



7. How long have you owned this car?
three and a half years



8. How long has Bob owned his own house?
1999



9. How long have you been interested in astronomy?
many years



10. How long has Glen been interested in photography?
a long time

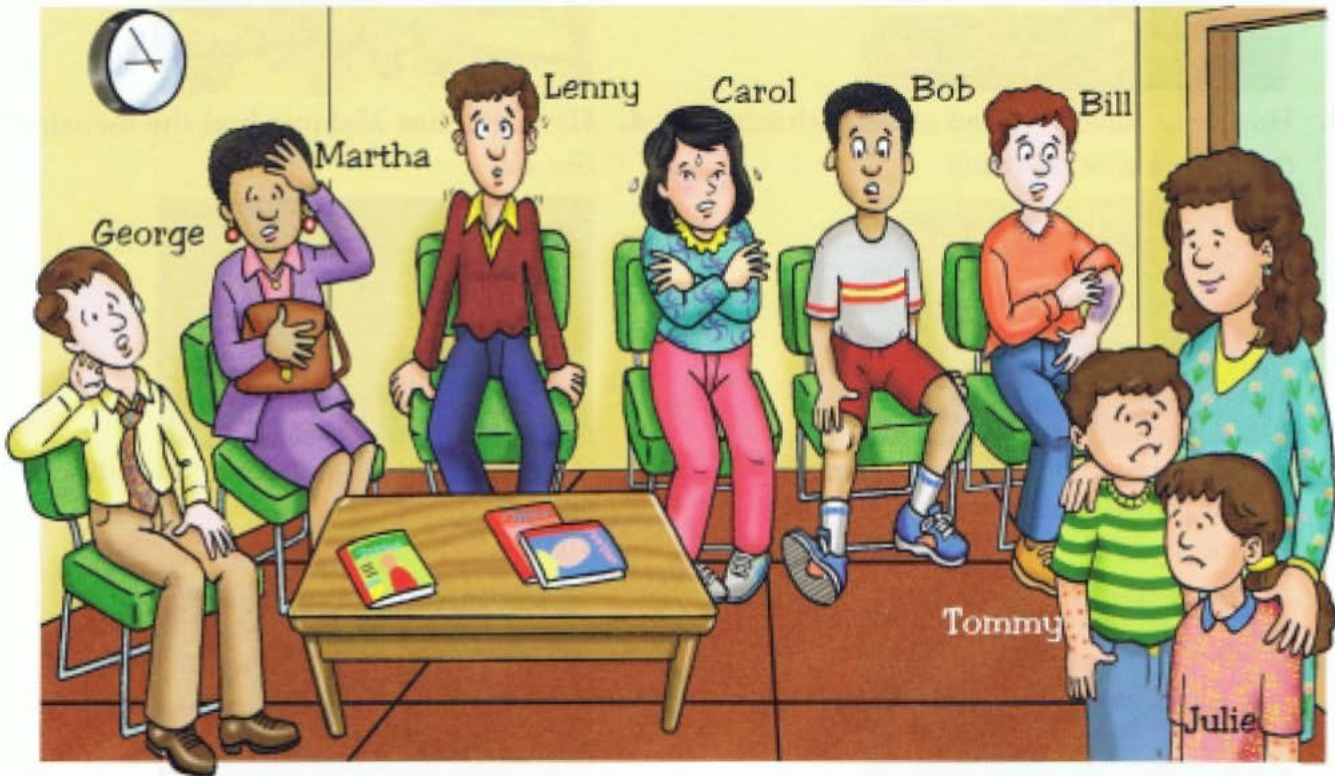


11. How long have you been here?
1979



12. How long has your son had blue hair?
a week

A VERY DEDICATED DOCTOR



Dr. Fernando's waiting room is very full today. A lot of people are waiting to see him, and they're hoping that the doctor can help them. George's neck has been stiff for more than a week. Martha has had a bad headache since yesterday, and Lenny has felt dizzy since early this morning. Carol has had a high fever for two days, Bob's knee has been swollen for three weeks, Bill's arm has been black and blue since last weekend, and Tommy and Julie have had little red spots all over their bodies for the past twenty-four hours.

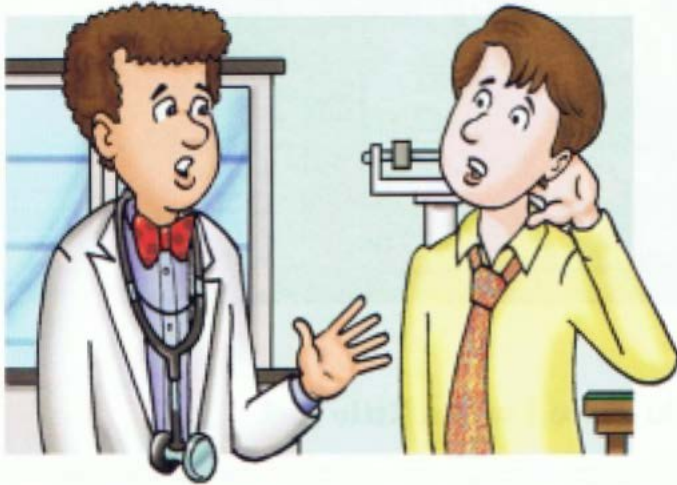


Dr. Fernando has been in the office since early this morning. He has already seen a lot of patients, and he will certainly see many more before the day is over. Dr. Fernando's patients don't know it, but he also isn't feeling well. He has had a pain in his back since last Thursday, but he hasn't taken any time to stay at home and rest. He has had a lot of patients this week, and he's a very dedicated doctor.

✓ READING CHECK-UP

Q & A

Dr. Fernando's patients are talking to him about their problems. Using this model, create dialogs based on the story.



- A. So how are you feeling today, *George*?
B. Not very well, Dr. Fernando.
A. What seems to be the problem?
B. *My neck is stiff.*
A. I see. Tell me, how long *has your neck been stiff*?
B. *For more than a week.*

CHOOSE

1. They've known each other since _____.
a. 2000
b. three years
2. I've been interested in astronomy for _____.
a. last year
b. one year
3. She has been a doctor for _____.
a. two years ago
b. two years
4. He has had a toothache since _____.
a. yesterday
b. two days
5. We've been here for _____.
a. one hour
b. one o'clock
6. There have been two robberies in our neighborhood since _____.
a. one month
b. last month
7. My grandparents have owned this house for _____.
a. a long time
b. many years ago
8. They've been in love since _____.
a. last spring
b. three months

CHOOSE

1. My right arm has been very _____.
a. dizzy
b. stiff
2. My son has a high _____.
a. fever
b. pain
3. Tell me, how long has your knee been ____?
a. nauseous
b. swollen
4. Ted's leg has been black and _____.
a. blue
b. red
5. Dr. Fernando, there are several patients in the _____.
a. past 24 hours
b. waiting room
6. Look! I have spots all over my ____!
a. measles
b. body

Since I Was a Little Girl



- A. Do you know how to ski?
B. Yes. I've known how to ski **since I was a little girl.**



- A. Are you two engaged?
B. Yes. We've been engaged **since we finished college.**



1. Does your sister Jennifer play the cello?
since she was eight years old



2. Is your friend Michael a professional musician?
since he graduated from music school