

## 2A GRAMMAR present perfect simple and continuous

- a** Complete the dialogue with the verbs in brackets in the present perfect simple or continuous. Sometimes both tenses are possible.



**DOCTOR** So, what seems to be the problem?

**PATIENT** Well, for about a week now I *'ve been feeling* quite dizzy. I even thought I was going to faint once or twice. (**feel**)

**DOCTOR** I see. <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ normally? (**you / eat**)

**PATIENT** Well, to tell you the truth I <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ much of an appetite recently. I'm just not hungry. (**not have**)

**DOCTOR** You need to eat regularly, you know, even if you're not hungry.

**PATIENT** I know, but I <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to eat anything recently. (**not want**).

**DOCTOR** Hmm. Any other symptoms? <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ headaches or any other aches or pains? (**you / have**)

**PATIENT** Well, I <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ my blood pressure three times this week, and it's a little bit high. (**take**)

**DOCTOR** I'll check that in a minute. <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ harder than usual? (**you / work**)

**PATIENT** Yes, I suppose I have. This is a very important time of the year for us and things <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ incredibly busy recently. I <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ home very late, and to be honest I <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ very well for the last few days. (**be, get, not sleep**)

**DOCTOR** I think you <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. I want you to take a week off work and have a complete rest. (**overwork**)

**PATIENT** I can't possibly have a week off at the moment. I <sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to head of department. (**just / be promote**).

**DOCTOR** Well, I'm afraid they'll just have to manage without you. You can't take risks with your health.

- b** Write questions with either the present perfect simple or continuous.

- 1 How long *have you had* your phone? (**have**)
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_ you ever \_\_\_\_\_ in an accident? (**be injure**)
- 3 How long \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ to this school? (**come**)
- 4 How many classes \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ this year? (**miss**)
- 5 How long \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ in your current home? (**live**)
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_ you ever \_\_\_\_\_ abroad? (**study**)

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- c** Work with a partner. Ask and answer the questions in **b**. Ask your partner for more information.

## SOLUTIONS OF GRAMMAR 2A

### PRESENT PERFECT SIMPLE AND CONTINUOUS

A)

2 Have you been eating

3 haven't had

4 haven't wanted

5 Have you been having / Have you had

6 've taken

7 Have you been working

8 have been

9 've been getting

10 haven't been sleeping

11 've been overworking

12 've just been promoted

B)

2 Have you ever been injured...

3 Have you been coming...

4 have you missed

5 have you been living / have you lived

6 Have you ever studied