

7 Present Perfect Simple or Continuous?

Choose the correct form of the verb. **(Circle)** the correct answer.

1 'Why are you all wet?'

'Because I ____.'

- (a)** 've been swimming b 've swum

2 'Aaatchoo!'

'Oh dear! That sounds like a bad cold. How long ____ it?'

- a have you had b have you been having

3 'Jerry and Sophie make a lovely couple.'

'It's true. How long ____ together?'

- a have they gone out b have they been going out

4 'What have you had to eat today?'

'I ____ two hamburgers, a banana, and two ice-creams.'

- a 've had b 've been having

5 'What was that noise?'

'It was Jack. He ____ your favourite vase!'

- a 's broken b 's been breaking

6 'Wow! You play guitar really well!'

'Thanks. I ____ lessons for a few months.'

- a 've had b 've been having

7 'Kate! Hi! How are you?'

'Pete! How lovely to see you! What ____ for the past few months?'

- a have you done b have you been doing

8 'Have you finished your homework yet?'

'Yes. I ____ my essay, so I'm going to bed now.'

- a 've finished b 've been finishing

Tense review

8 Present and past

Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense, Present or Past Simple, Present Perfect Simple or Continuous.

- 1 I ¹ _____ (learn) Italian for the past three years. My teacher is very good, and I ² _____ (like) her very much. I ³ _____ (be) to Italy three times. I ⁴ _____ (go) there last year with my family, and we ⁵ _____ (stay) in Florence. I ⁶ _____ never _____ (see) anywhere more beautiful than Florence in my whole life! We ⁷ _____ (spend) three days going round the museums.



- 2 My daughter ¹ _____ (try) to find a job for months. She ² _____ (leave) university in June, and since then she ³ _____ (have) one or two part-time jobs. She ⁴ _____ (work) in a café for the last two weeks. She ⁵ _____ (want) to work in publishing. She ⁶ _____ (write) dozens of letters of application, and she ⁷ _____ (have) a few interviews but no job offers yet.



9 All tenses

Read the magazine interview with the actress, Juliette Binoche.

Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense. Choose from the tenses in the box.

Present Simple Present Continuous Past Simple Past Continuous Present Perfect Simple Present Perfect Continuous

The 60 second interview

Juliette Binoche

Juliette Binoche was born in Paris. She is an actress and also a passionate painter. She is involved in politics and fund-raising for charities. She has two children, a boy and a girl.

How long have you been in the acting profession?

I ¹ 've been acting (act) since I was a teenager.

Where did you learn to act?

I ² _____ (train) at the National Conservatory of Dramatic Arts in Paris.

How many films ³ _____ you _____ (make)?

Over 40.

⁴ _____ you ever _____ (win) any awards?

Yes, I won an Oscar in 1997 for my role in a film called *The English Patient*. There have been other awards, too.

What ⁵ _____ your parents _____ (do) when they were younger?

My father was a director, and my mother was an actress.

They ⁶ _____ (get) divorced when I was four.

What is your earliest memory?

I was two. I fell over and banged my head as I ⁷ _____ (run) from the kitchen to my bedroom.

What ⁸ _____ you _____ (do) in your free time?

I adore gardening.

What are you doing now?

I ⁹ _____ (shoot) a film set in Ireland. It's a political thriller.

What's the best book you ¹⁰ _____ ever _____ (read)?

Talking with Angels, by Gitta Mallasz.



What's the worst thing anyone ¹¹ _____ ever _____ (say) to you?

I don't want to remember.

¹² _____ you _____ (prefer) cats or dogs?

I love them both.

When ¹³ _____ you last _____ (cry)?

Today, while I ¹⁴ _____ (rehearse). It's my job to bring emotions to life.

What is your greatest achievement?

It's not for me to say, but the film *Three Colours Blue* is one of the best films I ¹⁵ _____ ever _____ (make).

What is your motto on life?

Don't look back. Live in the present. Here and now.

Reading

11 The greatest rock 'n' roll band in the world

1  Read the text quickly. Tick (✓) the song titles that you see.

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| 1 ☒ Satisfaction | 5 ☐ Ruby Tuesday |
| 2 ☐ Get Off Of My Cloud | 6 ☐ Jumpin' Jack Flash |
| 3 ☐ Not Fade Away | 7 ☐ Honky Tonk Woman |
| 4 ☐ 19th Nervous Breakdown | 8 ☐ Brown Sugar |

2 Read the text again. Are these sentences true (✓) or false (x)?
Correct the false sentences.

- 1 ☒ The band have been playing for nearly 50 years.
The band have been playing for over 50 years.
- 2 ☐ Two of them have known each other since school days.
- 3 ☐ They wanted a 'bad-boy' gang image to be like The Beatles.
- 4 ☐ They started touring when The Beatles stopped.
- 5 ☐ Ronnie Wood joined the band just before Brian Jones died.
- 6 ☐ Mick Jagger has never learnt to read music.
- 7 ☐ Both Mick Jagger and Keith Richards have been knighted.
- 8 ☐ They've never been to Russia.

3 Who are the people in *italics* in these sentences?

- 1 *They* started the band.
Mick Jagger, Keith Richards, and Brian Jones.
- 2 *He* plays the drums.

- 3 *They* stopped touring in 1966.

- 4 *He* drowned in a swimming pool.

- 5 *He* has seven children.

- 6 *He* appeared in a film.

- 7 *She* gave *him* a knighthood.

- 8 *They* watched The Stones at the Tsar's Winter Palace.

The Rolling Stones

- the greatest rock 'n' roll band in the world!

The Rolling Stones have been playing together for over 50 years, and for many people they are the 'Greatest Rock 'n' Roll Band in the world'.



The group was formed in England in 1962 by school friends Mick Jagger and Keith Richards, along with guitarist Brian Jones. Later they were joined by Charlie Watts on drums and Bill Wyman on bass. They wanted a 'bad-boy' gang image in contrast to the most famous band of the time, The Beatles. They were soon pop idols with teenage fans all over Europe and America.

In 1964, they reached the UK Top 10 and the US Top 50 with 'Not Fade Away'. The 'bad boys' were on their way. 'Satisfaction' and '19th Nervous Breakdown', written by Jagger and Richards in 1965, are considered to be two of the greatest rock songs ever.

In 1966, The Beatles stopped touring, and The Stones started. They've been touring the world ever since and have continued to write great hits such as 'Jumpin' Jack Flash' (1968) and 'Honky Tonk Woman' (1969). However, with their fame came tragedy, caused by alcohol and drugs. Brian Jones became an addict and could no longer tour. In July 1969, he drowned in his own swimming pool. It was a painful time for The Stones, but they were still writing good songs. Their albums *Beggars Banquet* (1968) and *Sticky Fingers* (1971) were a huge success. Ronnie Wood joined the band in 1974, and during the 1970s they remained the biggest band in the world.

If Mick Jagger is the 'heart' of The Stones, then Keith Richards is 'the soul'. The two have survived ups and downs in their careers and personal lives. Mick can't even read music, but he has

worked hard with Richards as songwriter, following the example of The Beatles' John Lennon and Paul McCartney.

Besides his music career, Mick has fathered seven children with four women and donated to numerous charities. He is now 'Sir Mick'! He was knighted by Queen Elizabeth II in 2003. Keith Richards has worked as an actor, appearing in the blockbuster movie *Pirates of the Caribbean* as the father of Jack Sparrow.

The Stones have made 55 albums and sold over 200 million records worldwide. They have played in all kinds of places from small clubs to huge stadiums. In 2007, they played in front of the Tsar's Winter Palace in St. Petersburg, Russia, for 50,000 fans. They have given more shows internationally than any other band in the world. Their last tour earned over \$559 million.

Since the 1960s, The Rolling Stones have been touring the world, giving their audiences the kind of music they love - rock 'n' roll. And despite their age, The Rolling Stones is a better band now than it ever was.

Long live rock 'n' roll - long live The Rolling Stones!



Listening

12 My kind of music

1 Listen to Amy and her mum. Answer the questions.

1 What is Amy's mum's favourite pop group?

2 What kind of music does Amy's dad like?

3 What kind of music does Amy like? What doesn't she like?

4 What day of the week is it?

2 Listen again. **Circle** the correct answer.

- 1 Amy Winehouse and Brian Jones were both 26 / 27 when they died.
- 2 The Rolling Stones are a *bit* / *lot* older than Amy's mum.
- 3 Amy *can* / *can't* imagine the world in 50 years time.
- 4 Amy is 15 / 16 years old.
- 5 Amy's dad *was* / *wasn't* a big fan of The Beatles.
- 6 Amy *makes fun of* / *really likes* her dad's music.
- 7 When Amy was little she *laughed* / *screamed* if her parents played their favourite music.