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I've been running.

VOCABULARY

1 Complete the sentences. Use the words in the box.

marathons videos cartoons comic books violin selfies volunteer work

1. I love drawing cartoons. I usually draw political cartoons.
2. Pam enjoys taking _____ and posting them on her social media page.
3. When I was a child, I loved making _____. I wanted to be a film director.
4. My parents enjoy doing _____. Every Saturday, they get up early and drive to the park to pick up trash.
5. For the past four years, I have been running _____ to raise money for charity.
6. Sam's hobby is collecting _____. He has several original prints.
7. Ana has been playing the _____ for over a year now.

2 Match the verbs with as many words from the box as you can.



music selfies animals the piano cartoons yoga classes volunteer work

1. play music, _____
2. do _____
3. take _____
4. draw _____

3 **OVER TO YOU** Use the verbs in activity 2 to write sentences about things you have been doing.

1. I've been playing... _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

LANGUAGE PRACTICE

1 Complete the sentences. Use the present perfect continuous of the verbs in parentheses.

1. I have been making (make) videos for over ten years.
2. Yuko _____ (draw) cartoons for the local newspaper.
3. Joanna and I _____ (take) French classes every week.
4. You _____ (run) a lot of marathons lately.
5. John and Ian _____ (collect) comic books since they were kids.
6. Susan _____ (do) yoga for a long time.

2 Write the words in the correct order to make statements or questions. Use the present perfect continuous of the verbs in parentheses.

1. he / the violin / how long / (play) / ?
How long has he been playing the violin?
2. Italian / Jorge and Laura / (study) / ?

3. (not sing) / I / recently / .

4. (run) / marathons / your brother / lately / ?

5. we / comic / (not collect) / for long / books / .

6. (draw) / since / cartoons / September / she / .

7. you / where / (do) / volunteer work / these days / ?



3 Choose the correct word.

1. I've been drawing comic strips *for* / since I was a child.
2. Catalina has been playing the piano *for* / *since* ten months.
3. They have been taking photos *for* / *since* a very long time.
4. We have been doing yoga *for* / *since* we were students.
5. Sara has been collecting autographs *for* / *since* years.
6. You have been studying very hard *for* / *since* the beginning of the semester.

4 Correct the sentences.

1. I haven't been ~~run~~ much recently. ✗

I haven't been running much recently.

2. I've been taking classes since six months. ✗

3. What ~~you have~~ been doing all afternoon? ✗

4. They ~~hasn't~~ been making videos this year. ✗

5. Elena has ~~been not~~ taking selfies lately. ✗

6. Have you ~~been~~ doing volunteer work a long? ✗

5 Complete the conversation. Use the present perfect continuous of the verbs in parentheses.

Janine Hi, Ben! What ¹ have you been doing (you do) recently?

Ben Not much. I ² _____ (make) music with my friends mostly.

Janine Oh, I heard you ³ _____ (play) in a rock band. Is that right?

Ben Yeah! We ⁴ _____ (practice) together for about three months. So how ⁵ _____ (you spend) your summer?

Janine I ⁶ _____ (do) volunteer work every day. I ⁷ _____ (serve) lunch at the homeless shelter.



6 OVER TO YOU Read the conversation in activity 5 again. Write a similar conversation. Use information about yourself and a friend.

Your friend ¹ Hi! What have you been doing lately?

You ² _____

Your friend ³ _____

You ⁴ _____

LISTENING

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ONLINE

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- 1 Listen to the conversations. Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

doing volunteer work collecting comic books making videos



1. Lynn has been _____.
2. Saul has been _____.
3. Juan has been _____.

- 2 Listen again. Choose (✓) the answers to complete the sentences.

1. Lynn has had her hobby ...
 since she was ten. for the last 10 years.
2. Lynn has about ... comic books in her collection.
 200 100
3. Saul has been making videos of himself studying ...
 for years. for three years.
4. Juan's been doing volunteer work ...
 to make a difference. to adopt an animal.
5. When he's at the shelter, Juan ...
 feeds the animals. bathes the animals.

PRONUNCIATION

- 1 Listen to parts of the conversations again. Write a period (.) or question mark (?) at the end of each sentence.

1. You've been collecting comic books ____
2. You've been making videos of yourself studying ____
3. But you've been streaming online because... ____
4. You've been doing a lot of studying ____
5. You've been doing volunteer work for a special reason ____

READING

1 Read the text. Choose (✓) the true sentences.

1. Jonah donates money to charity.
2. Jonah lives in Ethiopia.
3. Jonah owns a business.

More than a Hobby



Jonah Larson has been crocheting since he was five years old. He learned his craft by watching video tutorials online. From his home in Wisconsin, Jonah has been building a crocheting business as well as a presence on social media. Over 150,000 people have been following Jonah's social media page and watching him crochet online. With the money Jonah earns from his crocheting business, *Jonah's Hands*, he has been buying more yarn and donating money to an orphanage in Ethiopia.

"I see crochet as a positive way to bring the world together, and it's just a craft that everybody comes together and enjoys," he recently told a television guest host. Through his crochet and a crowdfunding page, Jonah has been helping people find their passion and follow their dreams.



2 Read the text again. Complete the sentences.

1. Jonah has been crocheting _____.
2. Over the years, Jonah has been building _____.
3. More than a hundred thousand people have been following _____.
4. Jonah has been buying _____.

3 Complete the sentences. Use the words in the box.

crochets crafts donated passion orphanage

1. Sebastian donated five dollars to the school's crowdfunding page.
2. Riley plays the piano night and day. She has a real _____ for music.
3. Mary always _____ the most beautiful sweaters with a G size hook.
4. Our class is sending notebooks to children in an _____ in Guatemala.
5. _____ such as pottery or sewing make good hobbies.