



What is the present perfect continuous tense?

1. *used to refer to an action that began in the past, has continued to happen until the current moment, and will likely continue to happen for an unknown amount of time.*
2. *can refer to specific periods of time or general periods of time*
3. *uses the adverbs lately and recently with the present perfect continuous tense to indicate an action began sometime in the recent past (and continued until the present)*
4. *Sometimes used without indicating a starting point at all*

Rule

use the phrase **have been** or **has been** followed by the present participle of the verb

has/ have been + verb -ing

Examples

The birds **have been singing** since this morning.