



I've been up here for 431 days ...

1 Present perfect + for / since

How long **have** you **lived** in this flat?

I've **lived** here **for** fifteen years.

I've **lived** here **since** I was eighteen.

- Use the present perfect to talk about actions which started in the past and are still true now.
I've known him for ten years.
not ~~I know him for ten years.~~
- To answer the question *How long ...?* use:
for + a period of time: **for** three years
since + a fixed point of time: **since** 1992 / April
- Remember the difference between the present perfect and the past simple.
I've **been** a teacher for three years. = I'm a teacher now.
I **was** a teacher for three years. = I'm not a teacher now.

2 Verb + to + infinitive

I **want to** go to bed early.

Would you **like to** go out tonight?

He's **hoping to** buy a new car.

They **decided to** go to France.



... but I'd really **like to** get down.

- Use *to* + infinitive after these verbs:
want need would like hope
try decide plan
- I'd **like to** be a doctor.
I **like going** to the cinema.
- Remember the difference:
Use *would like* + *to* + infinitive to talk about what you want to do now or in the future.
Use *like* + verb + *-ing* to talk generally about what you like / don't like.

3 so / because

Reason	Result
It was raining.	I took my umbrella.

It was raining **so** I took my umbrella.

I took my umbrella **because** it was raining.

I was tired. **So** I went to bed.

- Use *so* and *because* to connect reason with result.
- because* answers the question *Why ...?*

4 had to / didn't have to

+ and -

I You He She It We They	had to didn't have to	get up early yesterday. leave the city.
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Did you	have to	get up early?
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Yes, I **did**. / No, I **didn't**.

- Use *had to* + infinitive to talk about past obligations.

5 Questions with / without auxiliaries

What novel did **Boris Pasternak** write in 1957?

Pasternak = **subject**

Who wrote Dr Zhivago?

Who (question word) = **subject**

- Remember the normal order for questions (QASI). In these questions, the question word is not the subject.

Q uestion	A uxiliary	S ubject	I nfinite
What novel	did	Pasternak	write?

- If a question word (*Who*, etc.) is the subject of the verb, don't use *do* / *does* / *did*.
Who painted *Guernica*?
not ~~Who did paint~~ *Guernica*?

1 a Present perfect + for / since Write *for* or *since*.

- 1 *for* two years
- 2 _____ I was a child
- 3 _____ September
- 4 _____ half an hour
- 5 _____ 1996
- 6 _____ a long time

b Write sentences for pictures 1 to 5 with *for* and *since*. Use contractions.



- 1 *He's been on the island for 20 years.*
- 2 They _____
- 3 He _____
- 4 She _____
- 5 They _____

c Write *How long ...?* questions for pictures 1 to 5.

- 1 *How long has he been on the island?*
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____
- 5 _____

2 a Verbs + to + infinitive Complete with the correct verb.

be ~~change~~ have study go out

- 1 He's decided *to change* his job.
- 2 I'm tired. I don't want _____ today.
- 3 We're planning _____ a party next weekend.
- 4 To pass the exam, you need _____ harder.
- 5 Would you like _____ a teacher?

b Write the verb in the correct form.

- 1 He likes *cooking*. (cook)
- 2 Would you like _____ rich? (be)
- 3 I'd like _____ abroad. (work)
- 4 Do you like _____ ? (swim)
- 5 I don't like _____ in the city. (drive)

3 so / because Complete with the right word.

- 1 You missed the beginning of the film *because* you were late.
- 2 She was ill _____ she didn't go to work.
- 3 We had champagne _____ it was my birthday.
- 4 They needed to relax _____ they went on holiday.
- 5 He bought a book _____ he wanted to learn Arabic.

4 had to / didn't have to Complete with the right form.

- 1 *Did you have to* wear a uniform at school? (you)
- 2 A bus came after five minutes so _____ wait long. (we)
- 3 _____ work late yesterday. We were very busy. (I)
- 4 _____ get up early yesterday? (he)
- 5 _____ pay for their flight. Their company paid. (they)

5 Questions with / without auxiliaries Cross out the wrong form.

- 1 What *happened* / ~~*did happen*~~?
- 2 Who *lives* / *does live* in that flat?
- 3 What *means this word* / *does this word mean*?
- 4 What film *saw you* / *did you see*?
- 5 Who *went* / *did go* to the party?