

Tense consistency exercise 2

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This exercise tests your knowledge of tenses. Complete the following sentences using an appropriate verb form. Choose your answers from the options given in the brackets.

1. 'You are all wet.' 'Yes, I gardening.' (was / have been)
2. 'You look tired.' 'Yes, I running non-stop until 6 o'clock. (was / have been)
3. I for his reply for well over three weeks. (am waiting / have been waiting)
4. The children in the garden when their mother returned home from work. (have been playing / were playing)
5. I English for six months. (am learning / have been learning)
6. How long you? (are, waiting; have, been waiting)
7. Susie ten minutes ago. (phoned / has phoned)
8. This is the first time I her perform. (saw / have seen)
9. I two rooms since lunchtime. (painted / have painted)
10. I in my sister's flat for the last month. (have lived / have been living)
11. I realized that we before. (met / had met / have met)
12. Studies suggest that the universe since the beginning of time. (was expanding / has been expanding)