



10 Obsessions

Present Perfect Continuous • Time expressions • Compound nouns • Quantity



TEST YOUR GRAMMAR

1 For each pair, match a line in A with a line or picture in B.

A	B
1 What do you do What are you doing	on the floor? for a living?
2 He speaks He's speaking	three languages. to the teacher.
3 She has She's having	a baby next month. a house by the sea.
4 What have you done What have you been doing	with my pen? I can't find it. since I last saw you?
5 Who drank my juice?	



Who's been drinking my juice?



6 I read that book. I was reading that book	It was really good. when you called.
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2 Look at the second sentence in each pair. What do the verbs have in common?

TONY'S PHONE BILL

Present Perfect Continuous

1 **T 10.1** Read and listen to the newspaper article. Answer the questions.

- 1 How much was the phone bill?
- 2 Why did his father buy him a mobile?
- 3 What has he done with the phone now?
- 4 Where has Tony been working?

Dad bans phone after 3,500 texts!

A Manchester teenager has received a phone bill for over £450 after sending 3,500 text messages in just one month.

Tony Russell has had his new 'state of the art' mobile phone for only three months, but now his father, Lionel, has taken it away.

'He's been asking me for a mobile for years because all his friends have got one,' explained Lionel. 'I finally bought one for his birthday because he's been doing so well at school, but he and his mates are "texting-crazy". They do it all the time - on buses, in the street. They even text each other from different sides of the school playground. They've got "textitis".'

Tony said 'I thought texting was much cheaper than phoning, so I've been texting my friends all day long and even into the early hours of the morning. I've been going to bed at 2.00 most nights. Sometimes my hand hurt from pressing the buttons so much, but I was having such good fun that I couldn't bear to stop!'

His father said, 'I have forgiven him, but I am angry with the phone company as they are encouraging this craze.' He has made his son promise to pay back the money, so Tony has been working on Saturdays. He has found a job in a shoe shop. So far he has paid back £46. 'I reckon it will take me about a year to clear this debt,' he said.