



Continuous aspect sentence completion games

Play one of the two games below, following your teacher's instructions.

Game A: Continuous aspect sentence completion bluff

Fill most of the gaps below with a mix of true and false information. Read out sentences and see if your partner can guess which ones aren't true, perhaps after asking follow up questions (to which you can continue to lie if you have read out an untrue sentence).

Game B: Continuous aspect sentence completion game

Fill most of the gaps below with true information about yourself. Read out just the part that you have written in one of the sentences and see if your partner can guess which sentence it comes from, using the grammar and what they imagine about your life to make their guesses.

I have _____ twice.

I have been _____ a lot recently.

I have _____ recently.

I have been _____ for more than five years.

I haven't been _____ for very long.

I haven't _____ many times.

I haven't _____ yet.

I had been _____ for a while when I got my present job.

I was _____ when I got my present job.

I was _____ when I met my boyfriend/ girlfriend/ best friend/ husband/ wife.

I had already _____ when I met my boyfriend/ girlfriend/ best friend/ husband/ wife.

I had never _____ before I went abroad.

I was _____ at 8 o'clock this morning.

I will _____ straight after this class.

I will be _____ at 11 o'clock tonight.

I will be _____ in five years' time.

I will probably have _____ by the time I am 70.

Which tenses are needed to complete each sentence above and why? What is the general meaning of the continuous aspect?