

NEW CUTTING EDGE

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Module 5 – Unusual achievements

1 Complete the second sentences so that they have the same meaning as the first sentences. Use between two and five words in your answers. You must use the underlined words.

- a I started work in 2004 and I'm still working now.
I _____ since 2004. been
- b We got married on January 1st and tomorrow is June 1st.
We _____ for five months tomorrow. have
- c I began working there in 1998 and John arrived in 2004.
I _____ for six years before John arrived. been
- d I will still be eating at nine o'clock.
I _____ by nine o'clock. finished
- e I wrote my first book before I was nineteen.
By the time I was nineteen _____ my first book. written

2 Read the pairs of sentences below. In each pair one verb will complete both sentences. Be careful with the tenses in your answers.

- a They _____ the previous record by more than six seconds.
Real Madrid _____ Juventus in the final a few years ago.
- b They last _____ the final of the Champions' League in 1999.
I've never _____ an award before.
- c I couldn't _____ with university life when I first went - I was too young.
My boss is really difficult to _____ with.
- d Live Aid _____ millions of pounds for famine relief.
The Prime Minister _____ an important issue in the House of Commons yesterday.
- e It is important for the older children to _____ a good example for the younger ones.
Carl Lewis _____ many world records in his athletics career.
- f Bill Gates has _____ a fortune and given a lot of money to charity too.
I finally think I'm _____ progress with English grammar!
- g He _____ great courage throughout his illness.
My teachers never _____ an interest in me so I never really studied much.

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Teacher's notes

This worksheet is designed for use after completion of pages 52 - 58.

1 This task is similar to the key word transformation question in the Use of English paper in the First Certificate exam and revises present, past and future perfect. Students complete the second sentences so that they have the same meaning as the first sentences. Tell students that they must use between two and five words in their answers and that they must use the underlined words.

- a been I started work in 2004 and I'm still working now.
I've **been working** since 2004.
- b have We got married on January 1st and tomorrow is June 1st.
We'll **have been married** for five months tomorrow.
- c been I began working there in 1998 and John arrived in 2004.
I **had been working there** for six years before John arrived.
- d finished I will still be eating at nine o'clock.
I **won't have finished eating** by nine o'clock.
- e written I wrote my first book before I was nineteen.
By the time I was nineteen I **had written** my first book.

2 Encourage students to check the tenses in their answers as the tenses may be different in each answer.

- a They **beat** the previous record by more than six seconds.
Real Madrid **beat** Juventus in the final a few years ago.
- b They last **won** the final of the Champions' League in 1999.
I've never **won** an award before.
- c I couldn't **cope** with university life when I first went – I was too young.
My boss is really difficult to **cope** with.
- d Live Aid **raised** millions of pounds for famine relief.
The Prime Minister **raised** an important issue in the House of Commons yesterday.
- e It is important for the older children to **set** a good example for the younger ones.
Carl Lewis **set** many world records in his athletics career.
- f Bill Gates has **made** a fortune and given a lot of money to charity too.
I finally think I'm **making** progress with English grammar!
- g He **showed** great courage throughout his illness.
My teachers never **showed** an interest in me so I never really studied much.