

## Present Perfect Exercise - Finished or Unfinished?

**The Present Perfect Tense** (have been, have done, have been doing, have been studying ...) can express both **finished** and **unfinished** actions:

### Present perfect continuous and simple (I have been doing and I have done)

Study this example situation:



There is paint on Kate's clothes.  
She **has been painting** her bedroom.

**Has been painting** is the *present perfect continuous*.

We are thinking of the activity. It does not matter whether it has been finished or not. In this example, the activity (painting the bedroom) has not been finished.



Her bedroom was green. Now it is yellow.  
She **has painted** her bedroom.

**Has painted** is the *present perfect simple*.

Here, the important thing is that something has been finished. **Has painted** is a completed action. We are interested in the result of the activity (the painted bedroom), not the activity itself.

(source: Cambridge *English Grammar in Use* - by Raymond Murphy, p. 20)

We will read a short BBC article about the Olympic Games, which **will be held in Tokyo** (= they will take place in Tokyo).

Read the article once. Check the words you don't understand in the dictionary (you can use the [www.lexico.com](http://www.lexico.com) if you like). Then, read it again and focus on the **5 Present Perfect** sentences, which **I have highlighted** (= destaquei em amarelo). Then answer this question about each of them:

Does this sentence express a **finished action** or an **unfinished action**?



## What's the Covid situation in Japan?

*BBC Reality Check*

As the Olympic Games approach, coronavirus case numbers have been falling.

On average, about 1,400 new Covid infections are being reported every day, according to scientific online publication [Our World in Data](#).

In mid-May, that number was more than 6,000 a day across Japan.

In the host city of Tokyo, experts have said the daily infection rate **should be below 100** in order to hold the Games safely.

However, the city's health authorities reported 376 new infections on 20 June. And the average for the last seven days is 388 new cases a day, which has been stable for the last 10 days. This followed a decrease in the number of infections from the end of May, broadly **matching the national picture**.

As the country battled a surge of new infections in May, hospitals in many areas were overwhelmed. Large parts of Japan have been under a state of emergency, giving the authorities greater powers to enforce Covid restrictions.

A mass vaccination campaign was started in Tokyo and Osaka as infections rose. But currently only about 16% of the country has been vaccinated.

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