

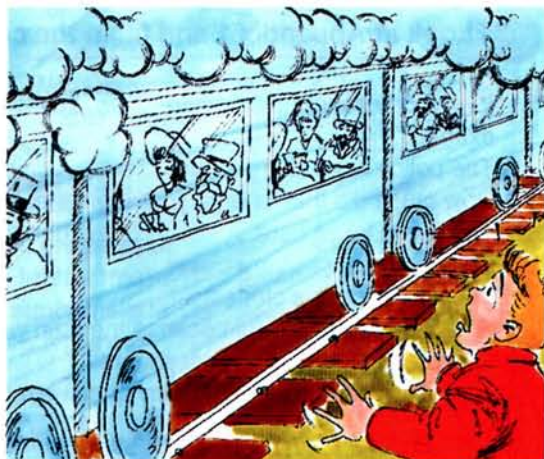
Tense Review

43 Fill in the correct tense.

Sue Thomas is a fashion designer. She 1) ... *has been making* (make) clothes ever since she 2) (be) a young girl. She 3) (get) her first job in a clothes factory when she was sixteen. She 4) (sew) buttons onto a shirt one day when she 5) (have) a brilliant idea for a design. After she 6) (speak) to her bank manager, she got a loan and she 7) (open) her own little workshop. Now she 8) (make) lots of money. Next year she 9) (open) a shop which will sell all her own designs. She 10) (sell) clothes to a lot of famous people, including film stars and singers, and she 11) (think) she will be very rich soon.

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Kevin Adams 1) ... *loves* .. trains. He first 2) (see) one when he was four years old and he 3) (think) it was great. He 4) (go) to a different railway station every week and 5) (write down) the engine number of every train he sees. He 6) (do) this since he was eight. By the time he was fifteen he 7) (collect) over ten thousand different engine numbers in various counties. Once, while he 8) (stand) in a station in Cheshire he saw something very unusual. He 9) (wait) for over an hour for a train to go by when suddenly he 10) (see) a very old steam train coming down the track. It 11) (not/stop) at the station and, as it passed, Kevin noticed that all the passengers 12) (wear) old-fashioned clothes. When he told the station guard about this, the poor man turned pale. He said that no steam train 13) (pass) through that station for years, and that the last one 14) (crash), killing everyone on board.



In Other Words

It's a long time since he called us.
He hasn't called us for a long time.

The last time I saw him was a week ago.
I haven't seen him for a week.

When did he get the job?
How long ago did he get the job?
How long is it since he got the job?

45 Rephrase the following sentences using the word in bold type.

- It's months since I saw Jane.
for *I haven't seen Jane for months.*
- When did she come back?
since
- I haven't spoken to him for a week.
last
- How long is it since he found a new job?
when
- It's a month since I saw Chris.
seen
- The last time I went to the theatre was a month ago.
been