

Everyday English: Progress and plans

Focus: everyday English: How long have you ...?, How's your English going?, What are your plans?, What have you achieved?

Model dialogue

- Mark:** How long have you worked here, Ani?
- Ani:** For about two years. Since the spring of 2024.
- Mark:** And how's your English going?
- Ani:** It's improving. I've made a lot of progress, but I still make mistakes.
- Mark:** Don't worry. Everyone does. What are your plans for next year?
- Ani:** I'm hoping to get a promotion, and I'm thinking of doing an exam.

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1 Complete the dialogue with the words in the box.

Example: I've made a lot of _____ this year. → progress

- Tom:** Hi Lena. How _____ have you known Sara?
- Lena:** _____ my first day at the company. She's a good friend.
- Tom:** And how's your English _____?
- Lena:** It's improving. I've _____ the A2 course and I've started a new job.
- Tom:** Well done! What are your _____ for next year?
- Lena:** I'd like to get a _____ at work. And you?
- Tom:** I'm _____ of learning to drive. If I pass the test, I'll celebrate!
- Lena:** That sounds great. Good _____!

2 Match the questions and the answers.

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| 1. How long have you had this job? | a. It's improving, thanks. |
| 2. How's your English going? | b. For about three years. |
| 3. What are your plans? | c. Thanks. I've worked hard for it. |
| 4. What have you achieved? | d. No, I'm still thinking about it. |
| 5. Have you decided yet? | e. I've passed my A2 exam. |
| 6. Good luck with the exam! | f. I'm going to learn to drive. |

ANSWER KEY
1 1 long, 2 Since, 3 going, 4 finished, 5 plans, 6 promotion, 7 thinking, 8 luck 2 1 b, 2 a, 3 f, 4 e, 5 d, 6 c