Since I Was Eighteen

English · B1

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Name _____ Class _____ Date _____

The grammar · Present perfect with for and since

Find it: __ / 4

1 · SEE IT

I've worn the same old helmet for almost twenty years,

I've is a form of **have**, "from the past until now".

2 · LEARN IT

I've worked here for twenty years.	a length of time	**I've lived here since I was five.**	a start point
for a year and a half	how long	**since Monday**	from Monday until now
She hasn't come out since Sunday.	no form	**How long have you lived here?**	a question
I've been dancing since January.	and I still dance		

3 · FIND IT

Circle every form of have. One line has none.

1. I've lost two friends who worked beside me in the dark,
2. Every morning, my wife holds my hand at the door.
3. down where the sunlight has never been.
4. and I've worked the night shift more times than I can count.
5. I've worked underground since I was eighteen,

2 · Lyric Scramble

__ / 5

Number the lines 1 to 5, in song order.

- [ ] People ask me what I do for a living.
- [ ] Down in the hollow, the mountains hide the sun.
- [ ] My grandfather was a miner, and my daddy was one too.
- [ ] When I turned eighteen, I followed them into the mountain.
- [ ] I tell them, "I dig coal in West Virginia."

4 · Fill in the Blank

__ / 1

Use have.

1. Although I'm proud of every ton that I _____ dug,

Sing it together

Play the song. Everyone sings the chorus. Then two halves take turns, line by line.

My score ____ / 10

For parents: scan to play the song at home. The app is free to try.

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Grammar · Find it (4)

1 I've 2 none 3 has 4 I've 5 I've

2 · Lyric Scramble (5)

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4 · Fill in the Blank (1)

1 have

For the teacher

Play the song once with the lyrics. Do "See it" and "Learn it" together; students do "Find it". Students do the 4 games alone or as homework, add up their score and hand in the sheet. Each game is also in the app's Arcade.

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