

Lesson 43: He's been hitting on her

レッスン 43: 彼は彼女にナンパし続けています

Target: Using the present perfect progressive tense
 目的: 現在完了進行形を使ってみましょう!

Reading 単語



New vocabulary introduced in the reading

• take it easy	休む	• chat (person) up	～を口説く
• switch to...	切り替える	• a pick up line	誘い文句
• hit on...	ナンパする	• like	例えば
• literally	本当に	• imaginable	想像できる
• strike out	失敗する	• to get shot down	却下される
• a wingman	編隊僚機	• to let off steam	憂さを晴らす
• a chick	若い女性	• burn the midnight oil	夜遅くまで働く
• confidence	自信	• med school	医大
• of the opposite sex	異性の	• the home front	家庭では

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Read the passage and circle the new words as you find them

I've been drinking since about 7 pm and think I might need to take it easy for a while. I think I'm going to switch to soft drinks.

I've had a lot of fun tonight watching Ben hitting on girls. It's been hilarious.

He has literally been hitting on girls since he walked in the door but unfortunately he's struck out with each and every one of them. Even though he's had Mike as a wingman, it hasn't helped.

Mike has been helping Ben try to pick up chicks for years, because Ben really just lacks confidence and finds it really difficult to speak to members of the opposite sex. Mike on the other hand does not.

Ben has been trying to chat girls up all night, and I must say, it's been pretty funny. He's been using the worst pick up lines imaginable. Like, for one girl he actually said. "Excuse me did it hurt? You know, when you fell from heaven?" No wonder he's been getting shot down so much.

Also, this week I've been pretty much working until 11 pm or later every day. My boss has really been making me work a lot of overtime recently, so that's why I decided to come out tonight. You know, to let off a little steam.

Actually, now that I think about it, everyone has been really busy this week. James has been burning the midnight oil trying to get his project finished. Alice has been studying non-stop, because she is trying to get into med school. Alex has been working on his new book, so we never get a chance to see him and Eru has been spending all her spare time preparing for her big presentation that's coming up next month.

In regards to the home front, my wife has been getting home really late each night this week because she's just started a new job in Yokohama and the commute is much longer than she expected. So, I've been ordering a lot of pizza this week, because I am a terrible cook. I can't even make pasta.

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Answer the questions below

- Who has been hitting on lots of girls?
- Who has been helping him?
- Has Ben been using good or bad pick up lines?
- Has Ben been getting shot down a lot?
- Who has been burning the midnight oil recently?
- Has Eru been working on a new book?
- Who has been getting home really late recently?
- How many examples of present perfect progressive can you find?

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