

TRANSFORMATIONS

Rewrite the following sentences so that their meaning stays the same as in the original sentence. Use the words in bold when given

1. He bought his computer one year ago
He **has had his computer for one year**
2. He hasn't eaten octopus since 2001
He last **ate octopus in 2001**
3. They started playing tennis three months ago.
They have **played /been playing tennis for three months**
4. I met my husband in 1990 (**Since**)
I have known my husband since 1990
5. I became head of the Stock Department 4 years ago.
I have **been head of the Stock Department for four years**
6. My mother has been studying French for 15 days (**ago**)
My mother **started studying French 15 days ago**
7. She's been living in Madrid since 1999 (**in**)
She **moved to Madrid in 1999**
8. How long ago did you buy your car? (**have**)
How long have you had your car?
9. I last travelled to Egypt in January (**since**)
I haven't been to Egypt since January
10. How long ago did you buy your watch? (**ago**)
How long ago did you buy your watch?
11. Jessica didn't start cooking until after the children had fallen asleep. (**before**)
Jessica waited until the children **had fallen asleep before she** started cooking.
12. She waited until Tom had left before she began packing. (**after**)
She didn't begin packing **after Tom had left**
13. It was the first time they had flown by Concorde. (**never**)
They **had never flown** by Concorde before.
14. She didn't begin cleaning until after all the guests had left. (**before**)
She waited until all the guests **had left before she began** cleaning.