Present Perfect vs. Present Perfect Continuous Tense Exercise

Fill in the blanks.

1. I ...................... this novel for a couple of days.
   - have read
   - have been reading
   Either could be used here

2. He .................... from the US.
   - has returned
   - has been returning
   Either could be used here

3. The child .................... enough.
   - has slept
Present Perfect vs. Present Perfect
Continuous Tense Exercise

has been sleeping

Either could be used here

4. I ...................... them for a long time.

have known

have been knowing

Either could be used here

5. It ...................... for hours.

has rained

has been raining

Either could be used here
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6. He ..................... in this town for twenty years.
   - has lived
   - has been living
   - Either could be used here

7. You ..................... me any help.
   - have never offered
   - have never been offering
   - Either could be used here

8. The police ..................... the thief.
   - have arrested
   - have been arresting
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Either could be used here

9. He ....................... for months.
   - has absconded
   - has been absconding

Either could be used here

10. I ....................... the money.
   - have sent
   - have been sending

Either could be used here

11. He ....................... his leg.
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has broken

has been breaking

Either could be used here

12. They ...................... the job.

have finished

have been finishing

Either could be used here

Answers

I have been reading this novel for a couple of days.
He has returned from the US.
The child has slept enough.
I have known them for a long time.
It has rained / has been raining for hours.
He has lived / has been living in this town for twenty years.
You have never offered me any help.
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The police have arrested the thief.
He has absconded / has been absconding for months.
I have sent the money.
He has broken his leg.
They have finished the job.