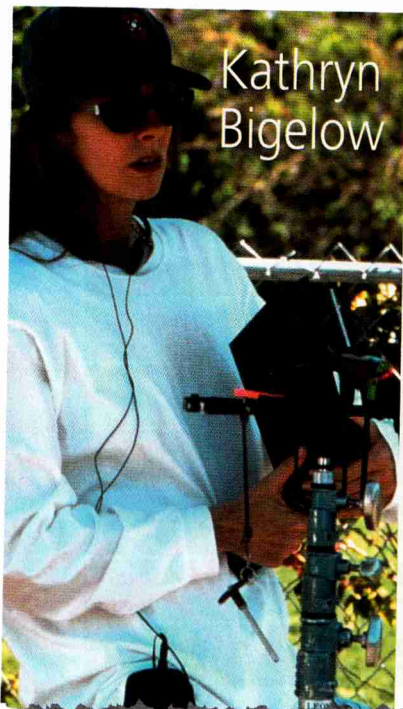


Practice

1 Match sentences 1 and 2 with their meanings, A or B, in each pair.

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| 1 1 I've been reading the book you lent me on genetics. | A I've finished the book. |
| 2 I've read the book you lent me on genetics. | B I'm still reading the book. |
| 2 1 The firm gives company cars to junior managers. | A This is the company's usual policy. It's unlikely to change. |
| 2 The firm has been giving company cars to junior managers. | B This isn't the company's usual policy. It may change. |
| 3 1 Something has been killing the rabbits in the woods. | A There are no rabbits left in the woods. |
| 2 Something has killed the rabbits in the woods. | B There are some rabbits left in the woods. |
| 4 1 Monsanto has placed an advert in the last four <i>Sunday Times</i> newspapers. | A This was a number of repeated actions. |
| 2 Monsanto has been placing adverts in the national press. | B This is a continuing publicity campaign. |
| 5 1 'Hi, Fiona. What a mess! Have you been decorating?' | A Fiona is in the middle of decorating. |
| 2 'Hi, Fiona. This room looks great! Have you decorated it?' | B Fiona isn't decorating any more. |
| 6 1 A group of us have learnt how to play bridge. | A We're still learning. |
| 2 A group of us have been learning how to play bridge. | B We can play it now. |

2 GRAMMAR IN USE Complete the article with the present perfect simple or, if you can, the continuous form of the verbs in brackets. ▶ 2.44 Listen and check.



Kathryn Bigelow

Kathryn Bigelow (1) (just / win) the Academy Award for Best Director – the first woman ever to do so. So, who is she?

Bigelow was born in California in 1951. She studied film at Columbia University and (2) (work) in film since the mid-1970s. She (3) (be) a female pioneer in the male-dominated world of film directing – she (4) (direct) since 1978 and in that time (5) (direct) eight feature films. In the last ten years, she (6) (also / produce) films. Some of her films (7) (be) modest successes, but she is best known now for *The Hurt Locker*, the film for which she won the Oscar. Only four women (8) (ever / be nominated) for Best Director, and of the others, Jane Campion and Sofia Coppola (9) (have) other Oscar awards.

As well as directing, Bigelow (10) (act) in one film and (11) (also / appear) as a model during her career. Since her success with *The Hurt Locker* she (12) (look) at possibilities for a new crime film set in South America.