Differences between tenses

**Simple Past**

*I finished my report two days ago.*

**Present Perfect**

*Ali has been sick for two weeks.*

*He has been sick since last week.*

*Deb has already completed her reading assignment.*

*She hasn't finished the grammar assignment yet.*

*We've written only two compositions so far.*

*We've taken only one test up to now.*

*Have you ever failed a test?*

**Past Continuous**

*While I was working, you were out dancing at a disco.*

**Present Perfect Continuous**

*I've been working on this composition for two weeks.*

*We've been reviewing the tenses since the course began*