

Grammar in Use

Future Actions

1. Match the sentences to the correct descriptions.

1	They are moving to Australia this summer.
2	It's getting cold. I think I will put on my coat.
3	I 'm going to make an apple pie. Let's buy some flour and apples.
4	I believe you will become a famous singer one day.
5	The performance starts at 7 p.m.
6	Look! The acrobat is going to walk along the tightrope.
7	They will have finished their meeting by 4 o'clock this afternoon.
8	By the time Rick retires, he will have been working for the same company for thirty years.
9	I'm afraid he won't come to the party.
10	This time next Saturday, I will be lying on the beach.

- a** fixed arrangement in the near future
- b** action in process at a stated future time
- c** fears about the future
- d** emphasis on the duration of an action up to a certain time in the future
- e** a prediction based on what we can see
- f** action which will be finished before a stated future time
- g** hopes about the future
- h** future intention
- i** timetables/programmes
- j** on-the-spot decision

2. Put the verbs in brackets into the correct form.

- 1) Why are you taking the car keys? - I **(drive)** John to the gym.
- 2) Is Lucy coming to school tomorrow? - I'm not sure. I **(call)** and ask.
- 3) This time next month, we **(relax)** in the sun.

- 4) When the train *(come)*, get on it and go to Waterloo Station.
- 5) I *(finish)* the project before the boss come.
- 6) I'm sure Thomas *(become)* a great scientist one day.
- 7) By the time she finishes work, we *(wait)* for more than an hour.

3. Choose the correct item.

- 1) I'll do my homework I get home.
- 2) I will work there I find a better job.
- 3) The film will have finished 10 o'clock.
- 4) She'll send us a letter she has time.
- 5) We're going to visit my sister work.
- 6) I'm going to the hairdresser's work on Friday.
- 7) I will be doing homework 3 o'clock tomorrow.
- 8) she gives you the envelope, she will ask you for the secret code.