ViventialEnglish

Expressing Near Future!

Basic 6

"BE TO + BARE INFINITIVE" STRUCTURE

	SUBJECT	TO BE TO	BARE INFINITIVE
+	The Pope	is to	make a pastoral visit to Cuba.
-	You	are not to	travel.

	TO BE	SUBJECT	TO +	BARE INFINITIVE
?	Is	the Pope	to	return to Rome next Monday?

"BE ABOUT TO" STRUCTURE

	SUBJECT	BE	ABOUT TO	BARE INFINITIVE
+	She	is	about to	leave.
-	He	is not	about to	travel.

	TO BE	SUBJECT	ABOUT TO +	BARE INFINITIVE
?	Is	the President	about to	leave?

C. Fill in the gaps with Be about to or Be to + a bare infinitive.

1. A: Daniel, can I talk to you later?
   B: I'm sorry but I ..... (leave)
2. We ..... (go) to the grocery.
3. I ..... (be) at the meeting. My boss ordered me to be there. He will accept no excuses.
4. A: Margaret looks very sad.
   B: I think she ..... (cry)
5. Mario ..... (be) here at 9:00. If he doesn't come, I will talk to him seriously.
6. You ..... (see) something very unsual.
7. You ..... (destroy) this message now.
8. Mr Brown ..... (travel) to Dublin as soon as possible.
9. We ..... (not/ change) the rules because you don't like them.
10. This lecture is so boring. I ..... (fall) asleep!

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