

1 Choose the correct option to complete the text.

We⁰ **are planning to** / *due to* host a special meal for my mum at a local restaurant on Friday. She¹ *is due to* / *is thinking of* retire at the end of the month after 40 years working as a nurse. The hospital² *is about to* / *is to* make an official announcement then. We³ *are due to* / *are hoping to* invite some old school friends if we can find them. The restaurant⁴ *is going to* / *is about to* provide a dinner of our choice. We⁵ *'re hoping to* / *'re thinking of* choosing Thai food – Mum's favourite!

2 Complete the sentences with the correct forms of the words in brackets.

- 0 The teacher **is going to give** (go / give) us more tests this semester.
- 1 Dad _____ (think / paint) the garage green and I'm sure he wants me to help him.
- 2 _____ (you / plan / invite) Richard to your party?
- 3 The baby _____ (about / eat) that plastic block. Maybe you should take it away from him.
- 4 Do you know when the building work _____ (due / finish)?
- 5 The school _____ (be / open) one Saturday a month from 7th

3 Complete the second sentence in each pair so that it means the same as first. Use the word in bold. Write between two and five words.

- 0 Jill will be very happy if she gets high marks in her Geography exam.

HOPING

Jill **is hoping to** get high marks in her Geography exam.

- 1 Fred will get his exam results soon.

ABOUT

Fred _____ his exam results.

- 2 The guests won't arrive for another two hours.

DUE

The guests _____ arrive for another two hours.

- 3 A statement from the president of the Olympic committee is planned for a public news programme.

GOING

The president of the Olympic committee _____ a statement on a public news programme.

- 4 Introducing new regulations for mobile phone use is not part of the school director's plan this year.

PLANNING

The school director _____ new regulations for mobile phone use this year.

- 5 Is the school considering employing a new teacher this year?

THINKING

Is the school _____ a new teacher this year.