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GRAMMAR

Going to and the Present Continuous

I can talk about intentions and arrangements.

1 Complete the sentences with the correct form of *going to* and the verbs in brackets.

- 1 I'm *going to phone* (phone) Laura later to ask about her exam.
- 2 We *look* (look) round the new shopping centre on Saturday morning.
- 3 *your mother/get* (your mother/get) a new car soon?
- 4 I *not become* (not become) a doctor. I want to be a research scientist.
- 5 Dad *get* (get) a bigger computer for the family next month.
- 6 *you/email* (you/email) Sonia about the party?

2 Complete the sentences with the correct Present Continuous form of the verbs.

- 1 My mum's *starting* (start) a new job on Monday.
- 2 It's my birthday on Saturday and I *have* (have) a party at my house in the evening.
- 3 *you/fly* (you/fly) from Gatwick or Heathrow this weekend?
- 4 A famous actor *open* (open) the new shopping mall on 16 June.
- 5 Sorry, my mistake! We *not meet* (not meet) Jane at 6 but at 6.30.
- 6 Jake is really pleased. He *play* (play) in the school football match on Friday.

3 Complete the sentences with the *going to* or Present Continuous form of the verbs in bold.

- 1 My plan is to **ask** dad to lend me some money for a new laptop.
I'm *going to ask dad* to lend me some money for a new laptop.
- 2 The arrangement is for Leo and me to **catch** the same train tomorrow.
Leo and I are *catch* the same train tomorrow.
- 3 I want to **have** a quick shower and then go out with Geoff.
I'm *having* a quick shower and then go out with Geoff.
- 4 Jack's aim is to **work** hard for the next exams.
Jack is *working* hard for the next exams.
- 5 The arrangement is for Dan and Kevin to **arrive** at 7 not at 8!
Dan and Kevin aren't *arrive* at 8 but at 7.
- 6 Miss Baines agreed to **give** me a piano lesson on Thursday at 4.30.
Miss Baines is *giving* me a piano lesson on Thursday at 4.30.
- 7 Do you plan to **spend** a lot of money at the shopping centre on Saturday?
Are you *spending* a lot of money at the shopping centre on Saturday?
- 8 I don't want to **read** my book this evening because I'm too busy.
I'm not *reading* my book this evening because I'm too busy.

4 Complete the message with the *going to* or Present Continuous form of the verbs.

play make have go bring
check out buy show do

Nicky,

This is just a quick message about arranging to go out next week. My diary is quite full! I ¹ *'m having* a driving lesson on Monday at 4.30 after college and on Tuesday I ² *shopping* with my gran at 4.00. She ³ *my birthday present* and she wants me to choose it! I ⁴ *her round the new shopping centre in the High Street.* Then on Wednesday I ⁵ *in a tennis match* at lunchtime and in the evening I think Sally ⁶ *round some photos from her holiday to show me* – if she's got time. How about Thursday? ⁷ *you *anything* on Thursday after school?* I really need some summer tops so I ⁸ *some shopping websites* – but I can do that any time so let me know if you are free. Right, now I ⁹ *some sandwiches and watch some TV.*

Speak soon x

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