Future Forms

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6 Listen and repeat. Then act out.

Future Simple (*Will*)	*Be going to*	Future Continuous	Future Perfect
decisions taken at the moment of speaking (on-the-spot decisions) *It's getting dark, **I'll turn on** the light.*	**future plans and intentions** *Now that they've settled in their new house, they'**re going to** have a party.*	**actions in progress at a stated future time** *He'**ll be sunbathing** in Hawaii this time **next week**.*	**actions which will have finished before a stated future time** *She **will have come** back **by the end** of July.* **Note: *by* or *not ... until* / *till* are used with the Future Perfect. *Until* / *till* are normally used with the Future Perfect only in negative sentences.** *She **will have finished by** 8 o'clock.* (NOT: ~~until/till~~) *She **won't have finished until** 8 o'clock.*
hopes, fears, threats, offers, promises, warnings, predictions, requests, comments, etc. especially with: *expect, hope, believe, I'm sure, I'm afraid, probably*, etc. *I'm afraid I'**ll be** a little late.*	**predictions based on what we can see or what we know, especially when there is evidence** *Ann **is going to** have a baby.* *Look at the dark clouds in the sky! **It's going to** rain.*	**actions which are the result of a routine (instead of the Present Continuous)** *I'**ll be seeing** John tomorrow.* (We work in the same office so we'll definitely meet.)	
future predictions based on what we think / imagine will happen *They'**ll probably go** shopping on Tuesday.* (prediction) **facts in the future** *He **will be** ten next year.*	**things we are sure about or we have already decided to do in the near future** *Max **is going to** invite his friends to dinner.* (He has already decided to do this.)	**when we ask politely about people's arrangements to see if they can do sth for us or because we want to offer to do sth for them** ***Will you be going** to the supermarket? Can you buy me some tea?*	**Future Perfect Continuous** **emphasis on the duration of an action up to a certain time in the future** ***By** the end of this year, Sally **will have been working** here **for two years**.*
things we are not sure about or haven't decided to do yet *She'**ll probably pass** the test.* (not sure yet)		**Present Simple (future meaning)** **timetables / programmes** *The plane **reaches** London at 9:45 pm.*	**Present Continuous (future meaning)** **fixed arrangements in the near future** *Sally **is seeing** her dentist tomorrow afternoon.* (Sally has already made an appointment.)

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Time expressions used with:	
***Will* / *Be going to* / Future Continuous**	tomorrow, tonight, next week / month, in two / three, etc. days, the day after tomorrow, soon, in a week / month, etc.
Future Perfect	before, by, by then, by the time, until (is used only in negative sentences with this tense)
Future Perfect Continuous	**by ... for** ***By*** *the end of next month, she will have been teaching* ***for*** *thirty years.*

Shall is used:

with I/we in questions, suggestions, offers or when asking for advice.
Shall *we play tennis?* *What* ***shall*** *I do?*

Will is used:

to express offers, threats, promises, predictions, warnings, requests, hopes, fears, on-the-spot decisions, comments (mainly with: think, expect, believe, I'm sure, hope, know, suppose and probably). *I hope he'**ll** be on time.*

1 Fill in: *will, won't* or *shall*.

Mum: Anna! 1) ....Will.... you please stop making so much noise? I 2) ..... never finish what I'm doing if you aren't quiet.

Anna: But Mum, what 3) ..... I do? If I don't practise, I 4) ..... pass my violin exam tomorrow.

Mum: And I 5) ..... be in trouble at work if I don't finish this report.

Anna: 6) ..... I go to Jessica's house then? She's taking the exam as well and we can practise together.

Mum: That's a great idea. Call me when you've finished and I 7) ..... come and pick you up.

2 Complete the sentences using *will* or *be going to*. Then identify if the situation is a *prediction based on what we think* or an *intention*.

1 They ....are going to.... play tennis.
.....intention.....

2 I think you ..... be a great pianist one day.
.....

3 He ..... send a letter to his friend Ben.
.....

4 Number 2 ..... probably win the race.
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5 They ..... wash the dog.
.....

6 More people ..... drive electric cars in the future.
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3 Match the sentences (1–11) with the correct description (a–k).

1	e	Look out! That dog is going to bite you.
2		I'll be flying to Morocco this time tomorrow.
3		She is worried that he'll be angry.
4		By 11 o'clock she'll have been waiting for five hours.
5		The London train arrives at 4:45 pm.
6		I'm seeing my bank manager this morning.
7		When I'm older, I'm going to learn to drive.
8		I think I'll make some tea. Do you want some?
9		He'll have finished by tomorrow afternoon.
10		Will you be going into town today?
11		I think Anna will become a great artist one day.

a fixed arrangement in the near future
b action which will be finished before a stated future time
c timetable
d fear about the future
e evidence that something will definitely happen in the near future
f future intention
g action in progress at a stated future time
h emphasis on the duration of an action up to a certain time in the future
i on-the-spot decision
j polite enquiry about people's arrangements
k prediction

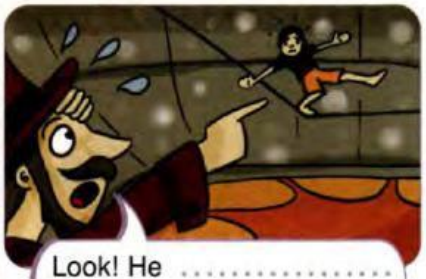
4 Fill in the correct future form, then identify the speech situations.

...Shall I post... **(post)** this letter for you?

1 .....offer.....

I ..... **(get)** a taxi. The bus is late.

2 .....



Look! He ..... **(fall)**.

3 .....

..... **(you/use)** your car tonight? Can I borrow it, Dad?

4 .....

I ..... **(finish)** by 7 o'clock tonight.

5 .....

Don't come at 6 o'clock this evening. I ..... **(do)** my homework.

6 .....

5 Fill in: *by* or *until*.

1 What time will you have finished painting your room? I will have finished .....by..... 7 o'clock, I hope.
2 Are you seeing Julie tonight? No, I will have already left ..... the time she gets here.
3 Have they built their house yet? No, they won't have built it ..... the end of May.
4 Will you have finished your essay ..... tomorrow? No, I won't have finished it ..... Tuesday.
5 I'll have been working here for ten years ..... the end of this month.
6 I won't have finished the book ..... Friday.

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