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Grammar

Future forms: *will*, *be going to*, Present Continuous, Present Simple

VIDEO



GRAMMAR IN ACTION



- 1 What do you do to keep fit?
- 2 27 5.06 Watch or listen and answer the questions.
 - 1 Why is Abe unhappy?
 - 2 What's Bea's suggestion?
 - 3 How easy does Abe find the class?
- 3 Study the sentences from the dialogue in Exercise 2. Match sentences a–f with their functions 1–6.
 - 1 a prediction based on things we already know
 - 2 a future prediction
 - 3 a decision at the moment of speaking
 - 4 a plan based on things we already know
 - 5 an arrangement
 - 6 a timetabled or scheduled event
 - a I need to train or I **won't be able** to finish.
 - b **Carla's coming** round to do our fitness class.
 - c It **starts** in ten minutes.
 - d A: I can't do it!
B: I'll **show** you.
 - e But they say it **is going to rain** all week.
 - f **Are** you really **going to run** five kilometres?
- 4 Study the Grammar box and check your answers to Exercise 3.

GRAMMAR

Future forms

We use *will* for predictions or decisions made at the moment of speaking.

I won't finish the race.

Will that **help** me run five kilometres? Yes, it **will**. I'll **do** it!

We use *be going to* for intentions, plans and predictions based on things we already know.

It's going to snow all week.

Are you really **going to study** music at university?

We use the Present Continuous for arrangements.

I'm meeting Carla this afternoon.

We use the Present Simple for timetables.

The bus leaves in five minutes.

5 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 Over 200 people **are going to take** (take) part in the 5K charity run.
- 2 The run (...) (start) at 10 a.m. tomorrow.
Present Simple
- 3 I'm sure I (...) (not win) the race.
will
- 4 What (...) (we/do) after the run?
be going to
- 5 We (...) (have) a picnic in the park.
Present Continuous
- 6 I (...) (bring) some crisps and juice.
will

6 5.07 Choose the correct option. Listen and check.

A: What **1** *are you doing* / **do** you do tomorrow morning?
B: I don't know. **2** *I / I'll* probably just stay in. Why?
A: I've decided **3** *I'll / I'm going to* get fit this summer, so **4** *I'll take / I'm taking* part in a new fitness class in the park. It's **5** *being / going to be* great. Why don't you come?
B: What time **6** *does it / is it going to* start?
A: **7** *It's starting / It starts* at 8 o'clock, but **8** *I'll / I'm going to* try to get there ten minutes early.
B: OK, **9** *I'll try / I'm trying* it.
A: Great! **10** *I / I'll* see you there!

7 Complete the sentences to make them true for you.

- 1 I think I'll ... this evening.
- 2 When I'm fifty, I won't ...
- 3 Next weekend, I'm going to ...
- 4 My best friend is never going to ...
- 5 My football team is playing ...
- 6 This year the school holidays begin ...

8 **CHALLENGE** In pairs, use sentences 1–6 in Exercise 7 to say true and false things about yourself. Your partner has to guess if what you say is true or false.

A: I think I'll go windsurfing this evening.

B: False. I don't think that's true.