

LANGUAGE REFERENCE

Future tenses

- We use **be going to** to talk about future plans and intentions and predictions that we feel sure about.

After I graduate, I'm going to travel the world.

My sister is going to stay with my grandparents this summer.

I'm going to feel ill if I eat all of that!

- We use **will** to talk about what is going to happen in the future, especially things that you are certain about or things that are planned.

I'll see him tomorrow.

I won't cook later - I'll be out.

- We use **may (not)** or **might (not)** instead of **will (not)** to show that we feel less sure about a future action or event, but think it is probable.

I might not go to university.

I may get a job with my dad.

When he gets here, he may want to speak to you.

Don't call after ten o'clock - we may be watching a film.

Present continuous for future

- We use the **present continuous** to talk about future arrangements when the time is fixed.

They're getting married this summer.

What are you doing this weekend? - I'm going shopping with my parents.

She isn't coming to the party. She's spending the day with her cousins.

Present simple for future

- We use the **present simple** to talk about events that are scheduled or timetabled.

The lesson starts at 9.30 tomorrow instead of 10.30.

They don't go back to school until next Monday.

Future continuous

| Affirmative/Negative | | |
|---|-------|----------------|
| I / You / He / She / It / We / You / They | will | be flying this |
| I / You / He / She / It / We / You / They | won't | time next wee |

Questions

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|------|---|----------------|
| Will | I / you / he / she / it / we / you / they | be flying this |
| | | time next wee |

Short answers

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| Yes, | I / you / he / she / it / we / you / they | will. |
| No, | I / you / he / she / it / we / you / they | won't. |

- We form the **future continuous** with **will/may/might + be + -**
- We use the **future continuous** to talk about actions we believe will be in progress at a future time.
In five years, he'll be living in Istanbul and working as a teacher.
By 2025, everyone will be wearing smart watches.
- We can also use the **future continuous** to talk about future plans.
I'll be leaving at 2 pm. I'm picking my little brother up from school, so I can't be late.
- We put question words at the beginning of a question.
What will you be doing in 20 years' time?
When will computers be cooking dinner for us?

Future perfect

| Affirmative/Negative | | |
|---|---------------------|-------------|
| I / You / He / She / It / We / You / They | will have finished | the project |
| I / You / He / She / It / We / You / They | won't have finished | by 2050. |

Questions

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| Will | I / you / he / she / it / we / you / they | have finished | the project |
| | | | by 2050? |

Short answers

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|------|---|--------|
| Yes, | I / you / he / she / it / we / you / they | will. |
| No, | I / you / he / she / it / we / you / they | won't. |

- We form the **future perfect** with **will + have + past participle**
- We use the **future perfect** for actions that will be complete before a certain time in the future.

Future tenses

1 Circle the correct options.

- 1 Mike's not sure yet, but he 's *going to* / **might** get a new bike.
- 2 Do you think it 's *going to* / *might* be a sunny day tomorrow?
- 3 Some scientists say the world's temperature *will* / *might* rise by four degrees in the next ten years.
- 4 Enjoy your holiday. I'm sure you 'll / *might* have a great time.
- 5 Tracy's mum *is going to* / *will* cook dinner.
- 6 I'm not feeling very well, so I *may not* / *won't* go to the match. I'll text you later.

2 Complete the sentences with the correct future form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 This restaurant *doesn't open* (not open) until 5 pm this evening.
- 2 Do you think you _____ (pass) all your exams?
- 3 What time _____ (Tim / meet) us tomorrow?
- 4 I've decided I _____ (not buy) a new printer.
- 5 Larry hasn't decided yet, so he _____ (not have) dinner with us.
- 6 I _____ (order) pizza at the restaurant tonight.

3 Complete the conversations with the correct form of the verbs in the box.

buy need ~~overcook~~ start

- 1 A: Can I help you with dinner?
B: Yes. You fry the chicken because I _____ 'll probably _____ it!
- 2 A: Where are you going?
B: Into town. I _____ a new coat.
- 3 A: What time do you want to meet?
B: The concert _____ at 8 pm, so let's say 7.30.
- 4 A: Is there enough food for everyone?
B: I don't know. I think we _____ some more bread.

Future continuous and future perfect

4 Complete the sentences with the future continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 What _____ will you be doing _____ (you / do) this time tomorrow?
- 2 My jeans are dirty, so I _____ (not wear) them tomorrow.
- 3 The music teacher says she _____ (not teach) us how to play this song.
- 4 While you're working hard, I _____ (enjoy) myself on holiday.
- 5 You can't meet him later, you _____ (write) your English essay.
- 6 Tomorrow's a national holiday, so we _____ (prepare) a special meal!

5 Complete the text with the future perfect form of the verbs in the box.

drink eat laugh see ~~sleep~~ spend

What do humans do in one year? By this time next year, you ¹ *will have slept* for 2,372 hours and you ² _____ over 1,000 hours on the Internet. You ³ _____ probably _____ some funny things, which means you ⁴ _____ for a total of 36.5 hours. If you're American, you ⁵ _____ around 46 slices of pizza and you ⁶ _____ probably _____ well over 800 litres of water.

6 Correct the mistake in each sentence.

- 1 This time tomorrow, I'll ~~have lying~~ on the beach in Italy. I'll *be lying*.
- 2 In 20 years, we'll be built robots to do the cooking for us. _____
- 3 By the time tomorrow, I'll have finished all my exams. _____
- 4 I be not doing anything later, so call me. _____
- 5 Will have you started the dinner when I get home? _____
- 6 What will be you wearing to Chloe's party? _____