

4A Present continuous and *be going to*

a Complete the sentences with the correct forms of the present continuous, using the verbs in parentheses.

- 1 My parents are buying (buy) me a computer for my birthday.
- 2 He _____ (study) French next year.
- 3 _____ (I / not walk) home tonight.
- 4 "_____ (you / wear) a suit to the interview?" "No, _____."
- 5 "When _____ (your sister / move) to Italy?" "In about two weeks."
- 6 _____ (we / go) to the movies after work.
- 7 _____ (I / not come) into the office on Friday morning because _____ (I / go) to the doctor.

b Look at the sentences in a again. What arrangements have the people made for each plan?

- 1 The parents *have already ordered the computer.*

c Marisol and Anna are planning a party. Complete the conversation with the correct form of *be going to*.

- A** So, how's the party planning going?
- M** Well, we made a list of what we need to do. And I 1'm going to invite (invite) everybody by text today.
- A** What ² _____ (you / do) about music?
- M** I ³ _____ (not play) my music. We ⁴ _____ (ask) Gary to deal with that. He's a DJ, you know! But ⁵ _____ (we / write) a list of our favorites for him.
- A** Great. ⁶ _____ (there / be) a lot of food?
- M** Yes, quite a lot. Rachael loves cooking, so ⁷ _____ (she / make) the food the day before the party.
- A** Cool ...
- M** But ⁸ _____ (she / not pay) for it all! We ⁹ _____ (pay) her back for the ingredients.
- A** So what ¹⁰ _____ (I / do)?
- M** ¹¹ _____ (you / clean) the house!
- A** Oh, fantastic ... I get all the best jobs ...

d Choose the most natural sentence to follow sentences a and b in each pair.

- 1 a ☐ I'm going to have a party.
b ☐ I'm having a party.
1 It's this Saturday. Do you want to come?
2 I don't know how many people to invite. What do you think?
- 2 a ☐ They're going to arrive in the afternoon.
b ☐ They're arriving in the afternoon.
1 They're not sure what time yet.
2 They arranged for a taxi to meet them at the station.
- 3 a ☐ Are we going to play tennis on Saturday?
b ☐ Are we playing tennis on Saturday?
1 Yes, I booked the court for two o'clock.
2 Yes, what time do you want to play?
- 4 a ☐ She's going to study all day tomorrow.
b ☐ She's studying all day tomorrow.
1 She has an exam next week, and she wants to pass.
2 She has classes from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- 5 a ☐ I'm going to fly from Denver to Boston.
b ☐ I'm flying from Denver to Boston.
1 Which airline do you recommend?
2 My plane leaves at 8 a.m.