

Other ways to express future – be about to, be due to, etc.

Choose the most appropriate future expression for the sentences below.

1 The government _____ to pass the new law by the end of the year.

a. is about

b. is on the verge

c. is

d. is on the point

2 The new canal _____ to be finished by December next year.

a. is due

b. is on the brink

c. is about

d. is on the verge

3 Researchers say they are _____ discovering a new form of life.

a. about

b. on the verge of

c. on the point of

d. on the point of / on the verge of

4 She is _____ to give birth to their second child in a few weeks.

a. sure

b. on the verge

c. about

d. due

5 The National Institute of Health _____ to begin the first human trials for an experimental vaccine in the coming months.

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.

6 The prime minister _____ contact the French president to begin negotiations.

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.

7 Borneo's orangutans are _____ extinct.

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.

8 The next-generation of the device _____ to be unveiled until October 4th.

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.

9 Experts say the terrorist attack _____ to affect tourism in the short term.

a. is on the point

b. is due

c. is bound

d. is about

10 The government _____ its decision at a press conference on Friday.

a. is about to announce

b. is unlikely to announce

c. is on the verge of announcing

d. is due to announce