

Talking about future

Present tenses with a future meaning

Exercise 1

You are a famous astrologer. You've been invited on a TV show to give your astrological predictions for next year. Using the prompts below, make sentences, as in the example.

Example: An earthquake will strike Europe.

1. Recep Tayyip Erdoğan/win/elections
2. Economy/not improve/significantly
3. Number of plane crashes/increase
4. France/establish/colony/on Mars
5. Scientists/not discover/cure for Covid-19
6. Teachers/have/higher salaries
7. Military actions/take place/ on the basis of religious conflicts
8. The war/ in the country/ end
9. Glaciers/stop melting
10. The world center/begin /to move/ to Asia

Exercise 2

Fill in the gaps with the correct form of *will* or *be going to*:

1. A: Why are you buying flour and eggs?
B: Because I (make) a cake.
2. A: I have decided what to buy dad for his birthday.
B: Really? What (you/buy) for him?
3. A: Did you ask Angela to the party?
B: Oh no! I forgot! I (ask) her tonight.

4. A: Could I speak to Morgan, please?
B: Wait a minute. I (get) him for you.
5. A: What are your plans for the weekend?
B: I (spend) some time with my friends.
6. A: What are you doing on Saturday night?
B: Oh. I (probably/stay) at home with my family.
7. A: Have you cleaned your floor yet?
B: No, but I promise I (do) it this afternoon.
8. A: Look at that girl!
B: oh yes! She (climb) the tree.
9. A: Megan is very clever for her age.
B: Yes. She says she (become) an engineer when she grows up.
10. A: I'm too tired to cut the grass.
B: Don't worry! I (cut) it for you.

Exercise 3

Choose the correct form:

Tomorrow the sun *rises* / *is rising* at 4.59 and it *sets* | *is setting* at 20.37.

I *don't do anything* / *am not doing* anything tonight. I want to relax.

What time *do you meet* / *are you meeting* Mary on Monday?

This year the school *ends* / *is ending* on 28 May.

After the repairing the shop *opens* / *is opening* on Monday again.

I can't help you. I *see* / *am seeing* the doctor this afternoon.

We've already booked our holiday. We *go* / *are going* to Cyprus in July.

Could you meet us at the airport tomorrow evening? The plane *lands* / *is landing* at 7.40.

The concert *doesn't start* / *is not starting* at 9 o'clock. It is cancelled.

Do you have / *Are you having* your party this month or next month? I forgot.

Exercise 4

Complete the following questions using the Future Simple tense:

1. you (watch) TV after university?
2. Kim and Kylie (play) soccer?
3. she (be) late?

4. they (move) to Spain?
5. you (lend) me 1 million dollars?
6. she..... (stay) in Italy for 1 week?
7. the kids (visit) their grandma?
8. you (come) with me to the cinema?
9. Sam (like) Greece?
10. she (call) her mom during break?

Exercise 5

Match each sentence with the correct reply:

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| It's too hot! | I will ask my parents if it's ok |
| Can someone help me with my project? | I will turn on the air conditioning |
| I'm going to the cinema. Do you want to come with me? | I'll show him how it works |
| James doesn't know how to use his new computer | I will help you |

Exercise 6

Look at this weekly planner. Read about the plans and then share your plan for this week. Use the present continuous (future plans)

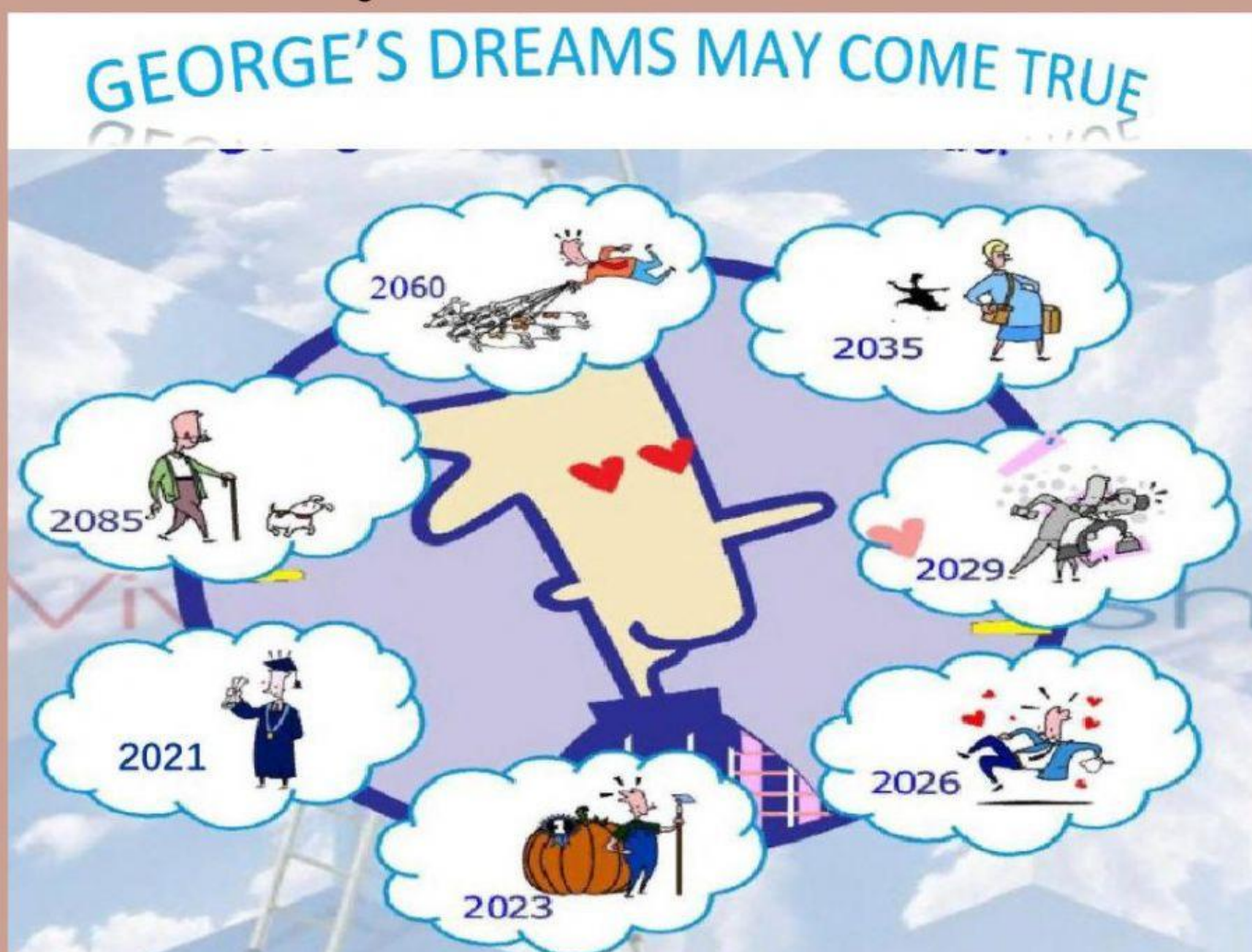
WEEKLY PLANNER

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| THURSDAY <input type="checkbox"/> SWIMMING! <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | FRIDAY <input type="checkbox"/> archery <input type="checkbox"/> lesson <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | SATURDAY <input type="checkbox"/> YOGA, <input type="checkbox"/> buy <input type="checkbox"/> groceries <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |
| SUNDAY <input type="checkbox"/> sweep <input type="checkbox"/> garage <input type="checkbox"/> movie night <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> | Shopping - egg, milk - bread - meat and seafood - cereals, sugar - fruits | |

| MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT | SUN |
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Exercise 7

What George will have done in the future?



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- 3.
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Exercise 8

Put the verbs in brackets into the correct future tense.

Dear Mark,

The holidays are coming and I've made lots of plans. This time next week, I (1) (buy) Christmas presents for my family and friends. I (2) (get) everything in one day, so that I can enjoy myself for the rest of the holidays.

I'm staying at home with my family on Christmas Day, but two days later I (3) (leave) for Germany. James and I (4) (spend) a week there skiing. I'm sure we (5) (have) a wonderful time.

When I come back from Germany, I (6) (probably/have) a party, because it's my birthday on January 6th. I (7) (be) 19! I hope you (8) (come).

Well, I must go now. I'm going to help my mother with the housework. See you soon!

Love,
Catherine.

Exercise 9

Underline the correct tense.

1. When we go to Paris, we **will climb/will have climbed** the Eiffel Tower.
2. John **will have completed/will have been completing** his studies by the end of the year.
3. By the time I get home, I **will have been walking/will walk** for 3 hours
4. Kate **will be performing/will have been performing** in the school concert next week.
5. We're too late to catch the bus. It **will go/will have gone** by now.
6. 'We've run out of milk.' 'Really? I **will buy/ will have been buying** some more this afternoon.
7. This time tomorrow, I **will have been leaving/will be leaving** for the airport.

8. Sam **will work/will have been working** here for 2 years on Friday
9. I **will collect/will have collected** you from Peter's house on my way home.
10. Ann **will have found/will be finding** the note I left for her by now.

Exercise 10

Answer the following questions about yourself.

- 1) What are you doing at the weekend?
- 2) How long will you have been studying English by the end of this term?
- 3) How much money will you have saved by the summer?
- 4) What will you be doing this time next week?
- 5) What do you think life will be like in the future?
- 6) Where are you going next summer?
- 7) What will you have done by the end of today?
- 8) How many meals will you have eaten by the end of today?

Revision test

Complete the predictions with the correct form of the verbs in the boxes.

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| Need | be | give | become | break | lend | pass | miss |
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| Might / be going to |
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1. 'I haven't bought a coat.' 'It's ok. It _____ cold. They said so on the radio.'
2. 'Is it cold outside?' 'Yes, I think you _____ a coat later on.'

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| Might/will |
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1. 'I'm nervous about the exam.' 'Don't worry – i'm sure you _____.'
2. 'can I carry those glasses for you?' 'yes, but be careful – you _____ them.'

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| Be going to/might |
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1. 'Oh no! it's already too late – we _____ the train!'
2. 'do you think Daniel _____ us a lift in his car?' 'i'm not sure. I'll ask him.'

May/will

1. 'I need to borrow some brown shoes.' 'Brooke has some. She _____ you hers.'
2. 'do you feel confident about the future?' 'Yes, totally. I _____ a millionaire before I'm 21!'

Click on the correct words:

1. He's not **going to** / **won't** hire a DJ for the party (plan)
2. I **won't get** / **I'm not getting** permission to have a party. (prediction)
3. Their party **is finishing/finishes** at 10 pm. (fixed event)
4. We'll **start/re starting** our new school in July. (arrangement)
5. What time **are you going/will you go** home? (prediction)

Choose the correct option for each situation.

- a) Relax. **I'll answer/I'm going to answer** the phone.
- b) You look hot! **I'll open/I'm going to open** the window.
- c) Next year **we'll enter/we're going to enter** the Japanese market.
- d) Thanks, **I'm going to have/I'll have** an orange juice.
- e) Have a rest. **I'm going to do/I'll do** the photocopying.
- f) Thursday is not good for me. **I'm going to meet/I'll meet** the new manager.
- g) What are you doing these days? – nothing much. **I'll start/I'm going to start** a new job soon.
- h) Would you like something to eat? – thanks, **I'm going to have/I'll have** a sandwich.
- i) Why is Maria sitting at the piano? – **she'll sing/she is going to sing**, I'm afraid.
- j) This cake looks delicious. Yes, I'm sure **you're going to enjoy/you'll enjoy** it.