

Practice

The key to these exercises is on page 355.

1 5.1

Complete these two short texts using the most appropriate expressions with future meaning.

Here in Augusta the final day of the US Golf Masters (1) begin, and we could be (2) a historic win. Tiger Woods, who (3) start his bid for a place in the history books in forty minutes, could complete the grand slam – winning all four golf masters tournaments in one year. Woods starts today in the lead and he is (4) give up that lead easily. This is going to be an exciting day, folks, so be (5) book your place in front of the TV and settle down for a thrilling day's viewing!

FILM NEWS

Hollywood's king and queen – Tom Cruise and Julia Roberts – (6) star opposite each other in Ridley Scott's new blockbuster.

No interviews or press releases are (7) , but rumour has it that the film will be another Roman epic, following hot on the heels of the

success of *Gladiator*, Scott's last film. Filming (8) start in September, but because of other commitments the two stars are (9) join the set until next year. One thing is certain: with that combination of director and stars, the film is (10) be a success!

2 5.1, 5.2

Complete this conversation with phrases from the box. Use each phrase only once.

anticipate	are on the point of	expect	guarantee to	hopes to
is about to	is likely to	is sure to	plans to	should

MARY When do Brian's exams start, then?

ANNA Well, he (1) start them. The first one is tomorrow in fact.

MARY Do you (2) him to do well?

ANNA We think he will. He's taking nine subjects, and he's quite optimistic. He (3) pass at least six of them – he's very good at those six subjects. We think that he (4) pass two of the others: French and art – he's studied very hard, but he's not naturally gifted in those subjects! We've got no hopes at all for music. He (5) fail it. I don't know why the school entered him for it.

MARY What does he want to do next year?

ANNA That depends. If he does well, he (6) stay on at school for two years and study sciences.

MARY Can he stay at the same school?

ANNA Well, that's the problem. No, he can't, because his school only takes pupils up to sixteen. But we've just heard that they (7) opening the new sixth form college in Fareham. We (8) being able to send him there, but we don't know for certain.

MARY And if he doesn't pass enough of the exams?

ANNA Well, he might leave and look for a job. Sandy – you know, my elder sister – says she (9) have a vacancy for a trainee in her business, but obviously she can't (10) take him. We'll just have to see.