

NO future with

**When – After–Before–By the Time –As soon as – Till – Until**

Time Clause	Main Clause
Next year, <b>when</b> I <del>will be</del> am 20 ,	I <b>will live</b> alone
Next month, <b>before</b> she <del>will come</del> comes ,	we <b>will talk</b> about this issue.
By next October, <b>as soon as</b> we <del>will finish</del> finish school ,	We <b>will travel</b> to Europe

Very often EFL speakers make a mistake. Because the idea is future, they use WILL but it is incorrect. Remember NO FUTURE with **When – After–Before–By the Time –As soon as – Till – Until**

Look at these examples in Spanish.

Cuando yo ~~seré~~ sea mé dico, trabajaré para los niños

We use no future after “cuando “ in Spanish. The same is true of English .

In the time clause After “CUANDO” we also use the present but the idea is future.

Complete the blank spaces with the correct form of the verb. Remember to use the contracted form when possible (don't , doesn't, isn't , aren't, 'll, won't )

- 1) I 'll text (text) you when I get (get) home.
- 2) It may snow next month when we \_\_\_\_\_(go) skiing.
- 3) He \_\_\_\_\_(have) a shower before he \_\_\_\_\_(go) to bed.
- 4) When he \_\_\_\_\_(be) 18 , he \_\_\_\_\_( start ) driving.
- 5) Before she \_\_\_\_\_(go) to bed, she \_\_\_\_\_ (read ) a book.
- 6) As soon as I \_\_\_\_\_(hear) from John, I \_\_\_\_\_(call ) you.

Punctuation with TIME CLAUSES.



If the time clause is before the main clause, we must use a comma . Look at this example.

When the summer finishes , we'll go back to school.

We'll go back to school when the summer finishes. ( not a comma is necessary in this case )



RE- write these sentences using the time clause first. Don't forget to use a comma.

- 1) We'll go to the sea when the summer comes.

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- 2) She'll leave for the station as soon as it stops raining.

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- 3) We'll start cooking as soon as you come back from the supermarket.

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- 4) He'll paint the house when he saves some money.

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- 5) They will give a party after the baby is born.

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The following sentences have been taken from Toad Invasion. Click on the right option to complete the blank space.

- 1) Before we **use** / **will use** the vaccine, we **'ll do** / **do** more research.
- 2) We **'ll tell** / **tell** the people when we **find** / **will find** the solution.
- 3) The zoo **will buy** / **buys** an elephant as soon as they **will have** / **have** enough money.
- 4) Scientists **will test** / **test** the new drug on animals before they **will give** / **give** it to people.
- 5) When they **discover** / **will discovery** a vaccine, everybody **will be** / **is** immune.