



Future me

1. Read the program information. Would you like to receive a letter from your younger self? Why/why not?

2. Listen to a woman reading a letter she wrote for herself four years ago. Underline the correct alternative.

At 16, Laura expected her 20-year-old self to be...

- a. unchanged/different
- b. abroad/in the UK
- c. with/without a partner
- d. with/without children
- e. happy/unhappy
- f. working/studying

3. Listen to the second part of the program and answer the questions.

- a. How does Laura see her sixteen-year-old self now?
- b. Is she happy with the way her life has turned out?

Letters to myself

The idea is simple: write a letter to yourself, and futureme.org will keep it and send it back to you at a point in the future – you pick the date. You will get a glimpse of the person you used to be and discover if you have met the expectations and hopes of your younger self. In this BBC radio programme, people read aloud and comment on their letters.

FUTURE PERFECT AND FUTURE CONTINUOUS

1. Look at the sentences from Laura's letter. Which one talks about:

- 2. things that will be completed before she opens the letter?
- 3. things that will be in progress around the time she opens the letter?
 - a. I'll have changed so much.
 - b. I bet when I get this, it'll be raining.

2. Complete the rules.

- To talk about something that will finish before a specific time in the future, use will+ _____ + _____.
- To talk about something that will be in progress at or around a specific time in the future, use will+ _____ + _____.

4. Complete the questions with the correct form of the future perfect, future continuous or future simple.

1. By the end of the day, do you think _____ (you/receive) more than fifty WhatsApp texts?
2. At 9 p.m. tonight _____ (you/watch) Netflix? If so, what?
3. Do you reckon _____ (you/fall) asleep by midnight tonight?
4. Do you think _____ (you/drink) twenty cups of coffee or tea by the end of the week?
5. This time next year, _____ (we/already/go back) to in-person classes?
6. Do you think _____ (people in Barranquilla /get vaccinated) by then?
7. Do you reckon _____ (you/still/like) the same kind of music a few years from now?
8. In twenty years' time, _____ (you/live) in the same town, do you think?

5. In groups (on Teams) discuss the questions above. Use the expressions in the box.

Possibly	That's pretty unlikely	Yes, definitely
That's quite likely	I doubt it	No, definitely not
Perhaps	I expect so	I don't suppose so