



MAKING PLANS



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**1**

Warm-up

What are your plans for next week?

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Types of arrangement

Match the following words with their correct definitions and complete the sentences below.

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| 1. an appointment | a. a formal arrangement to meet or visit someone at a fixed time and place |
| 2. a date | b. a medical examination to test the general state of your health |
| 3. a get-together | c. a meeting in which someone asks you questions to see if you are suitable for a job or course |
| 4. a dinner engagement | d. an arrangement to meet somebody for an evening meal (very formal) |
| 5. a check-up | e. an informal meeting or social gathering |
| 6. an interview | f. a planned romantic meeting between two people |

We are having a small _____¹ tomorrow afternoon. Why don't you join us?

I have an _____² to see Mr. Karlsson at 3 pm.

How was your _____³ with Emily? Do you like her?

I'm going to the doctor's for a _____⁴ this afternoon. I haven't been feeling too well lately.

Professor Jones has a very important _____⁵ tonight with his university colleagues.

Good luck with your job _____⁶ tomorrow! I'm sure you'll do well.



3

Listening

Audio



Alice and Simon arrange to meet. Listen to both telephone conversations and answer the questions:

1. Why can't Simon meet Alice on Thursday evening?
2. When and where do they arrange to meet?
3. What reason does Alice give for canceling the meeting?
4. When and where do they finally agree to meet?

4

Expressions for making arrangements

Now complete the dialogues with the expressions below. Listen to check your answers.

Can we do Sunday instead?

Friday sounds fine

I'm afraid I can't make it

See you on Friday

Shall we say Thursday evening?

Can you make it on Friday?

how about 8:15?

I'm afraid Thursday isn't good for me

See you then

Sure, that works for me

DIALOGUE 1

Simon: Hello?

Alice: Hi Simon, it's Alice.

Simon: Hi there Alice. How are things?

Alice: Not too bad. Listen, there is a new movie out with Ben Affleck. I've heard it's really good. Would you like to go to the theater to see it?

Simon: Sure, that sounds great.

Alice: _____¹

Simon: _____². I'm having dinner with my family. It's my mother's birthday.

Alice: OK. _____³

Simon: Err yeah, _____⁴.

Alice: Great.

Simon: So, what time do you want to meet?

Alice: Well, they're showing the movie at 8:30, so _____⁵ In front of the theater.

Simon: Fine. _____⁶.

**DIALOGUE 2**

Simon: Hello?

Alice: Hi Simon, it's Alice. Listen, I'm calling about Friday. ____⁷. You see, my cousin is coming to visit me for the weekend and I have to spend some time with her.

Simon: Oh, that's a pity.

Alice: ____⁸

Simon: ____⁹.

Alice: Great.

Simon: Same time, same place?

Alice: Yes. ____¹⁰. Bye

Now read the dialogues in pairs.

5**Phrasal vocabulary**

The sentences below contain common phrases that are used when arranging meetings. Match the underlined words/phrases with their correct definitions on the right:

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| 1. I'm afraid I can't meet you. Something has <u>come up</u> . | a. busy, unavailable |
| 2. I'm afraid I'm <u>tied up</u> all weekend. | b. cancel |
| 3. Let's <u>meet up</u> at the fountain at 4 pm. | c. change to a later time/day |
| 4. Can we <u>move up</u> the meeting to Tuesday? | d. change to an earlier time/day |
| 5. Can we <u>put off</u> the meeting till Friday? | e. collect, go, and get |
| 6. I'm sorry, but I have to <u>call off</u> tomorrow's meeting | f. happened unexpectedly |
| 7. So, I'll <u>pick you up</u> at 8 pm then. | g. meeting as planned |
| 8. Are we still <u>on</u> for tomorrow night? | h. meet someone in order to do something together |

6**Present continuous for stating plans**

Look at the following sentence from the dialogue:

I'm afraid Thursday isn't good for me. I'm having dinner with my family.

1. Why is the **present continuous** tense used here?
2. What is the form of the **present continuous**?



Look at the following sentence:

I'm afraid Thursday isn't good for me. I have an appointment.

Why isn't the present continuous used in this sentence?

Now complete the sentences below. In three of the sentences, the present continuous cannot be used.

1. I'm afraid I can't meet you. I _____ (meet) a friend for lunch.
2. I'm afraid Thursday isn't good for me. My uncle _____ (come) to see me for a few days.
3. I'm sorry, I have to call off tomorrow's meeting. I _____ (have) a very busy day.
4. Friday is difficult. My friends _____ (visit) me.
5. Next Saturday works for me. I _____ (not/do) anything special.
6. I'm afraid I can't make it. I _____ (have) a train to catch.
7. Tomorrow evening sounds good. I _____ (not/have) any plans.
8. I'm afraid I can't make it. I _____ (have) lunch with an old friend.

7**Role play**

Cancelled

Work in pairs. Think of a reason to meet your partner, e.g. for a coffee, to help you with your homework, etc. Practice arranging the meeting. Your partner should not make it easy to arrange a time/date. Reverse roles when you have finished.

Now practice canceling the arrangement and changing the time or day of each plan.