

TRAVEL TRENDS IN THE FUTURE

2019 was the year when the term *sustainable travel* made the headlines, especially when Greta Thunberg decided to go by boat all the way from Europe to the US. In this article, we look at what we think (a) (be) the most popular travel trends in the next decade. Staycations, when people take holidays in their own country, are already very popular and it would appear that the demand (b) (increase). Another trend is for slow holidays. The idea is that, in the future, people (c) (want) to spend more time on the journey rather than rushing to a final destination. It's hoped that travellers (d) (not be) too impatient, because getting to a place (e) (be) part of the overall holiday experience. Eco-tourism is already very popular and this trend (f) (continue), if current bookings are anything to go by. Of course, saying what (g) (happen) in the future is very tricky, but we feel confident that our predictions (h) (come) true.

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Grammar: Working on mistakes

We all make mistakes when we are learning something new. Learning from our mistakes and improving is part of the process of learning. With grammar mistakes, start by checking to see if they are with the form, spelling or meaning of the structure. You can keep a section in your notebook for recurring mistakes and use it to check your work.

Grammar challenge ☆☆☆

6 Read the text. Add ten missing words.

My father going to buy an electric car this year. He says it won't cheap to start with, but that after a few years he save the difference in the price because he need to buy any petrol. It definitely sounds like a good idea, but I'm totally convinced as I'm sure the cost of electricity isn't going come down in the next few years. He says he's looking into it for a few months now and he made up his mind. I just hope he knows what he doing and that he won't regret it. I really don't want him be disappointed.

- ! ☆☆ Complete the text with the words in the box and the correct prefix.

advantage • believable • comfort • inspiring • likely • patient • practical • reliable • usual

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The quickest way to travel around the world is to fly, but it is rather (a) as there is nothing to see. However, if you are worried about carbon emissions and don't mind a bit of (b), then why not go by cargo ship? Yes, it sounds very (c) and is almost certainly (d) for anyone who doesn't have lots of time, so it certainly isn't for you if you are an (e) person. Probably the biggest (f) is that you need to be flexible as the departure date can easily change, so it's a rather (g) way of trying to reach your destination for something like a meeting. However, you will certainly have an (h) experience as only one of a few passengers among a crew that is (i) to be more than 20 or so.

- ! 13 ☆ Listen to a radio interview about the future of travel. Put the things (a–e) in the order they are

Vocabulary extension ☆☆☆

- 6 Complete the words with the correct prefixes in the box. There are two prefixes you don't need. Use a dictionary if necessary.

inter- • mis- • over- • post- • pre- • re- • semi- • sub- • super- • under-

- 1 The first prototype marine was built by Cornelis Jacobszoon Drebbel in the 17th century.
- 2 It's important we don't estimate the amount of damage flying is doing to the climate.
- 3 Jack placed his ticket and so he missed his flight.
- 4 Can you schedule your trip?
- 5 The accident happened at the change and blocked the road.
- 6 Oil spills from tankers can cause really serious environmental problems to oceans and beaches.
- 7 Trains in some countries are often unsafe as they are crowded.
- 8 One of the best and safest ways to take money when you travel is to use a paid card.

Grammar in context 2

Future continuous, future perfect simple and future perfect continuous

1 ☆ Read the sentences and choose the correct alternative.

- 1 Where will you be living/have been living in five years' time?
- 2 By 2030, they'll be developing/have developed a zero-carbon aeroplane.
- 3 In a few years' time, most people will be/have been working from home and not commuting.
- 4 In March, Sonia and Toni will have travelled/have been travelling for six months.
- 5 We're so worried about climate change that we've decided we won't be flying/have flown next year.
- 6 This time next year James will be/have been working as a pilot for just over a year.

2 ☆☆ Complete the text with an appropriate future form of the verbs given.

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3 ☆☆ Read the sentences and choose the best answers.

- 1 By 2040, it's possible people will ... on Mars.
a be living b have lived
c have been living
- 2 By 2026, Terrafugia will ... flying cars for 20 years.
a be developing b have developed
c have been developing
- 3 I don't think people will ... to work in the future.
a be commuting b have commuted
c have been commuting
- 4 I know the journey is long, but by this time tomorrow we will ...
a be arriving. b have arrived.
c have been arriving.
- 5 By the time Amelia takes her driving test, she will ... to drive for three years.
a be learning b have learnt
c have been learning

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By 2030, it is likely that somewhere in the world people will **(a)** (travel) between major cities inside a big tube. The idea for the Hyperloop was first suggested in 2013 and the first prototypes were developed in 2015. So, by 2030, companies will **(b)** (work) on the idea for 15 years.

Originally, there were plans to build a Hyperloop between the American cities of Los Angeles and San Francisco. However, it is unlikely that anybody will **(c)** (develop) this project by 2030. It is more likely that people will **(d)** (use) a high-speed bullet train to travel between these two cities. Lots of other places have shown interest and it's almost certain that some of these projects will already **(e)** (happen) by the end of the 2020s.

Nowadays, more and more people are looking at alternatives to flying. So companies like Virgin, SpaceX and TransPod® will **(f)** (invest) billions to develop new ways of travelling. At the moment, there are some problems with the technology. However, most experts believe that, by 2030, they will **(g)** (solve) these problems, making innovations like Hyperloop a reality.



- 6 By next year, the company will ... the newest version of its flying car.
 a be launching b have launched
 c have been launching

4 ☆☆ Read the text then complete the sentences with the future continuous, future perfect simple or future perfect continuous.

In 2018, at the age of 28, Julia set off on the voyage of a lifetime. The year before, she'd won the lottery and started thinking about what she'd like to do. Her plan was to sail around the world and spend 12 years at sea, and that's what she's doing now. Once a week, she uses a satellite phone to talk to her mum and twice a year, she stops at a port to stock up on supplies.

- 1 When she is 38, Julia will
 2 In 2030, Julia will
 3 By the time Julia is 39, she will

Grammar challenge ☆☆☆

5 Find nine more extra words in the text.

My brother is one of those people who **will** knows exactly where he will be and what he'll be doing at any time in the future. For example, he's going to be go to university to study medicine next year. In seven years' time, he'll have been finished his course and he'll be working as a doctor. In ten years' time, he'll already be getting married and living with his wife and two children. As soon as they will have enough money, they will buy a big house in the country. I know that when he retires, he will have been worked for at least 30 years or more. Personally, I'm very different. I will have no idea where I'll be doing in five years' time. I hope I'll have be doing a job that I will enjoy, but I don't know what that will be at the moment.