

GRAMMAR

Going to and Present Continuous for the future

- Fixed arrangements

He's **coming** home next week.

She **isn't getting** the bus until three.

Is she **coming** or not?

- Intentions and future plans

She's **going to look for** a new book.

I'm **not going to buy** it.

Are you **going to buy** a present?

1 ● Complete the sentences with the correct form of **going to** and the verbs in brackets.

- I'm **going to phone** (phone) Laura later to ask about her exam.
- We _____ (look) round the new shopping centre on Saturday morning.
- _____ (your mother/get) a new car soon?
- I _____ (not become) a doctor. I want to be a research scientist.
- Dad _____ (get) a bigger computer for the family next month.
- _____ (you/email) Sonia about the party?

2 ●● Complete the sentences with the correct Present Continuous form of the verbs below.

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- My mum's **starting** a new job on Monday.
- It's my birthday on Saturday and I _____ a party at my house in the evening.
- Which airport _____ you _____ from this weekend?
- A famous actor _____ the new shopping mall on 16 June.
- Sorry, my mistake! We _____ Jane at 6.00 but at 6.30.
- Jake is really pleased. He _____ in the school football match on Friday.

3 ●● Complete the sentences with the **going to** or Present Continuous form of the verbs in bold.

- My plan is to **ASK** Dad to lend me some money for a new laptop.
I'm **going to ask Dad** to lend me some money for a new laptop.
- The arrangement is for Leo and me to **CATCH** the same train tomorrow.
Leo and I are _____ the same train tomorrow.
- I want to **HAVE** a quick shower and then go out with Geoff.
I'm _____ a quick shower and then go out with Geoff.
- Jack's aim is to **WORK** hard for the next exams.
Jack is _____ hard for the next exams.
- The arrangement is for Dan and Kevin to **ARRIVE** at 7.00, not 8.00!
Dan and Kevin aren't _____ at 8.00, but at 7.00.
- Do you plan to **SPEND** a lot of money at the shopping centre on Saturday?
Are you _____ a lot of money at the shopping centre on Saturday?

4 ●●● Complete the message with the **going to** or Present Continuous form of the verbs.

bring buy do go have play show

Nicky,

Let's arrange something for next week. My diary is quite full! I¹ **'m having** a driving lesson on Monday at 4.30 and on Tuesday I² _____ shopping with my gran at 4.00. She³ _____ my birthday present and she wants me to choose it! I⁴ _____ her round the new shopping centre in the High Street. Then on Wednesday I⁵ _____ in a tennis match at lunchtime and in the evening Sally⁶ _____ round some photos from her holiday to show me.

I⁷ _____ you _____ anything on Thursday evening?

Speak soon x