

LANGUAGE IN ACTION

be going to and present continuous for future

- 1 Complete the sentences with the phrases in the box. Then write A for the arrangements and P for the predictions.

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'm going to 're travelling 's leaving

- Next week, I'm going to Spain on holiday. A
- He _____ for the airport in an hour by taxi. _____
- Technology _____ travel more environmentally friendly. _____
- We _____ to Bali by plane, not cruise ship. _____
- They _____ a way to travel which is 100% safe. _____

- 2 Decide if the sentences are arrangements or predictions. Then complete them with the best form of the verb in brackets.

- I'm meeting (meet) my friend at four o'clock on Saturday.
- She _____ (not enjoy) the journey by cruise ship next week – she hates boats.
- We _____ (go) camping in Greece in July.
- They _____ (like) Madagascar next summer. The wildlife there is incredible!
- Todd and Laura _____ (have) lunch at the airport tomorrow before their flight.

Future continuous

- 3 Put the words in order to make sentences in the future continuous. Then tick (✓) the sentences you agree with.

- abroad / in / I / 20 / living / be / years / will
I will be living abroad in 20 years. ☐
- will / by 2025 / be / travelling / by flying taxi / Everyone
_____ ☐
- doing / all / Robots / jobs / in / will / be / ten years
_____ ☐
- 50 years / living / other / won't / We / be / planets / on / in
_____ ☐
- using / won't / be / 15 years / petrol / We / in / cars / in
_____ ☐



- 4 Circle the best options. For one answer, both options are possible.

I read the other day that we ¹are living / will be living on Mars in the next 30 years. Well, you and I ²aren't going to live / aren't living on Mars – they ³are only sending / are only going to send their top astronauts in the near future! Normal people ⁴aren't living / won't be living there for a long time. The famous scientist Professor Stephen Hawking said that we ⁵are going to need / are needing to find a new planet in 100 years because we ⁶are having / are going to have more problems with climate change and other things in the future. I ⁷'m giving / 'm going to give a presentation on space travel next week at school, so I've done some research! Hawking had previously said that in 1,000 years, people ⁸aren't living / won't be living on the Earth at all. I'm not sure I agree – a lot of things can happen in 1,000 years!

- 5 Write three predictions in the future continuous. Use the ideas in the box or your own ideas.

communication houses music
relationships work

By 2050, people won't be communicating face-to-face anymore.
