

## 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.

aren't going to find is going to make  
'm going to 're travelling 's leaving

- 1 Next week, I'm going to Spain on holiday. *A*
- 2 He \_\_\_\_\_ for the airport in an hour by taxi. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Technology \_\_\_\_\_ travel more environmentally friendly. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 We \_\_\_\_\_ to Bali by plane, not cruise ship. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 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.

- 1 I'm meeting (meet) my friend at four o'clock on Saturday.
- 2 She \_\_\_\_\_ (not enjoy) the journey by cruise ship next week – she hates boats.
- 3 We \_\_\_\_\_ (go) camping in Greece in July.
- 4 They \_\_\_\_\_ (like) Madagascar next summer. The wildlife there is incredible!
- 5 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.

- 1 abroad / in / I / 20 / living / be / years / will  
I will be living abroad in 20 years.
- 2 will / by 2025 / be / travelling / by flying taxi / Everyone  
Everyone will be travelling by flying taxi by 2025.
- 3 doing / all / Robots / jobs / in / will / be / ten years  
All robots will be doing jobs in ten years.
- 4 50 years / living / other / won't / We / be / planets / on / in  
We won't be living on other planets in 50 years.
- 5 using / won't / be / 15 years / petrol / We / in / cars / in  
We won't be using petrol in cars in 15 years.



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

I read the other day that we <sup>1</sup>are living / will be living on Mars in the next 30 years. Well, you and I <sup>2</sup>aren't going to live / aren't living on Mars – they <sup>3</sup>are only sending / are only going to send their top astronauts in the near future! Normal people <sup>4</sup>aren't living / won't be living there for a long time. The famous scientist Professor Stephen Hawking said that we <sup>5</sup>are going to need / are needing to find a new planet in 100 years because we <sup>6</sup>are having / are going to have more problems with climate change and other things in the future. I <sup>7</sup>'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 <sup>8</sup>aren'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.

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