FUTURE PLANS

Structure	Use	Key idea
Present Continuous	Plans that are **already arranged**	You decided before
Be going to + verb	Plans or intentions	You plan to do it

Present Continuous for future plans



- **Use:** We use the **present continuous** to talk about **fixed plans or arrangements**, often with a time expression.
- **Structure**: Subject + am / is / are + verb-ing
- **Examples:**

Sentence	Meaning
I'm meeting my friends tonight.	The plan is arranged
She's visiting her grandma tomorrow.	It is already planned
Are you doing anything this weekend?	Asking about plans

Common time expressions: *tonight · tomorrow · on Friday · this weekend · next week*

Be going to + verb

- **Use:** We use **be going to** to talk about **intentions or plans**, not necessarily arranged with other people.
- **Structure**: Subject + am / is / are + going to + base verb
- **Examples:**

Sentence	Meaning
I'm going to study English.	Personal plan
She's going to see a play tomorrow.	Intention
Are they going to travel next week?	Asking about plans

Key difference

Present Continuous	Be going to
Fixed arrangement	Intention or plan
Often with people	Often personal
Plan is decided	Idea of the future

Compare:

- I'm **meeting** my teacher tomorrow. (**arranged**)
- I'm **going to study** tonight. (**intention**)



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Exercise 1: Choose the correct option

1. I ___ my cousin tonight.
   a) am visiting
   b) am going to visit

2. She ___ study for the exam tomorrow.
   a) is studying
   b) is going to study

3. We ___ dinner with our parents on Friday.
   a) are having
   b) are going to have

Exercise 2: Complete with the correct form

1. I _____ (meet) my friends tonight.
2. He _____ (go / travel) next week.
3. They _____ (watch) a movie tomorrow.
4. She _____ (have) dinner with her family tonight.
5. We _____ (go / visit) our grandparents this weekend.
6. I _____ (study) English tomorrow.

Exercise 3: Match the sentence with the use

A. Fixed arrangement
B. Intention or plan

- I'm meeting my boss tomorrow. A. B.
- I'm going to learn English. A. B.
- She's having lunch with her mom. A. B.
- We're visiting our grandparents this weekend. A. B.
- He's going to start a new course next month. A. B

Exercise 4: Write **4 sentences** about your future plans.

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