

## Expressing the future

### 1 Complete the sentences with the correct future forms.

Ⓜ comes Ⓜ is coming

- 1 a The taxi \_\_\_\_\_ at 9.30.  
b The bus \_\_\_\_\_ at 10.05.

Ⓜ will win Ⓜ are going to win

- 2 a Barcelona \_\_\_\_\_. They're 3-0 up and there's only ten minutes left.  
b I think Barcelona \_\_\_\_\_ tomorrow's match.

Ⓜ 'll see Ⓜ 'm going to see

- 3 a I hope I \_\_\_\_\_ you at the protest march on Wednesday.  
b I \_\_\_\_\_ the latest James Bond film tomorrow.


Ⓜ 'm helping Ⓜ might help

- 4 a I can't come to the cinema this afternoon – I \_\_\_\_\_ my dad fix the car.  
b I \_\_\_\_\_ you with your essay later – it depends if I have time.

Ⓜ 'm travelling Ⓜ 'm going to travel

- 5 a I \_\_\_\_\_ around South America in my gap year before university.  
b I \_\_\_\_\_ to Edinburgh by plane – I've just got the tickets.

### 2 Complete Zoe's post on her social networking page using the correct future form of the verbs in brackets.

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Hi friends!

As some of you know already, a few of us <sup>1</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (get) together next Sunday to talk about the recycling club we <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (start). The intention isn't to recycle rubbish, it <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (be) for anything that you think you <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (not use) in the future but is too good to throw away – gadgets, furniture, tools, bikes, etc. We're going to set up a new page on this site which you can all link to, and hopefully it <sup>5</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (be) an easy way to post details of anything you don't need but think someone else might find a use for. We <sup>6</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (meet) in Giovanni's café at 10 a.m., but don't forget that the clocks are changing next Saturday night! The weather forecast says it <sup>7</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (be) sunny and unusually warm, so I think we <sup>8</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (be able to) sit outside.

Zoe

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### 3 Match the answers in exercise 2 to the ways of expressing the future below.

- a uncertain prediction \_\_\_\_\_  
b hope \_\_\_\_\_  
c intention \_\_\_\_\_  
d arrangement <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_  
e prediction based on evidence \_\_\_\_\_

### 4 Complete the dialogue with the correct future form of the verbs below.

Ⓜ be Ⓜ take Ⓜ close (x2) Ⓜ come Ⓜ explain Ⓜ can  
Ⓜ understand Ⓜ use

- A <sup>1</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ to the flashmob event we're organizing at the bank on Saturday? We're meeting there at 9 a.m.  
B I might come. I'm not sure whether I <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ free. What exactly are you going to do there?  
A We <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ books into the bank and sit around reading them.  
B And what are you hoping that people <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ by that?  
A Well, we <sup>5</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ that it's because banks have taken so much of the public's money in recent years that a lot of libraries <sup>6</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ soon. Our local library <sup>7</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ next month, so the idea is that from now on we <sup>8</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ banks as libraries!  
B That's cool! I hope I <sup>9</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ come.