

GRAMMAR

Present simple and present continuous for the future

1. Match the questions 1–6 with the answers a–f.

Questions	Answers
1 Are you coming to the cinema tonight?	a Of course. I've got some ideas I want to discuss with you.
2 Is the meeting with the clients at 12?	b I've got a training course in Brussels. What about you?
3 Are you busy tomorrow?	c My plane leaves at 4.
4 What are you doing this weekend?	d It depends what time I finish work.
5 There's a meeting about the new project at 11. Are you coming?	e Yes, I'm giving a presentation in the morning, and then I'm seeing some clients.
6 When are you going to Zurich?	f No, they want to reschedule it for later this week.

2. Read and complete the gaps with a suitable form of the verbs in brackets (Present Simple/Present Continuous)

A number of students choose to take a gap year between leaving school and going to university. They usually travel or gain some work experience during this time. Some go and do voluntary work. Alice Ter Haar, our reporter, interviewed one school leaver who is taking a gap year next year.

Alice: So, Kami, what 1 _____ (you / do) in your gap year?

Kami: Well, first of all, I 2 _____ (fly) to East Africa to do some voluntary work. A new welfare project 3 _____ (start) on Monday. I 4 _____ (work) there for about six months, and then I 5 _____ (go) down to Antarctica.

Alice: Why there?

Kami: I 6 _____ (have got) a place at Southampton University next year to study environmental science. My main interest is in climate change, and so I 7 _____ (travel) to places where the climate's already been affected. I want to gain some experience of working in different climates.

Alice: That sounds amazing! When are you leaving?

Kami: My plane 8 _____ (take off) at 7 this evening.