

GRAMMAR

the future

1 Read the sentences and choose the correct meaning.

- 1 I'm starting Spanish lessons next term.
This has **already been planned** / **hasn't been planned yet**.
- 2 I'm sure you'll do well in the exam.
This is a **prediction** / **promise**.
- 3 When does your next class start?
The speaker wants to know about your **plans** / **timetable**.
- 4 Lucy is off sick today. I'll text her my lesson notes.
The speaker makes the decision to text the lesson notes **before** / **at** the time of speaking.
- 5 Vicky is playing really well. She's going to make the first team.
This is **just what I feel** / **based on what I know**.
- 6 Don't ring at six. We'll be eating dinner.
Dinner **will** / **won't** be finished at six o'clock.
- 7 Let's meet up on Sunday afternoon. I'll have finished my project by then.
My project will be completed **before** / **on** Sunday.
- 8 By the time we arrive, we'll have been travelling for a whole day.
This looks forward at an action that will be **finished** / **in progress** until a time in the future. The focus is on the **frequency** / **duration** of the action.
- 9 I'll message you as soon as class finishes.
The verb 'finishes' refers to the **present** / **future**.



2 Choose the best option (A or B).

- 1 You've got a text message.
A I'll read it later.
B I'm reading it later.
- 2 Can I call round at five thirty?
A Better not. I'll be doing my homework then.
B Better not. I'll have done my homework by then.
- 3 I can't wait for Friday the 22nd.
A We'll have been finishing our exams by then.
B We'll have finished our exams by then.
- 4 I'm not very hopeful about this match.
A We're unlikely to win.
B We're due to win.
- 5 Have you been keen on judo for a long time?
A By this May, I'll be doing judo for three years.
B By this May, I'll have been doing judo for three years.
- 6 What are your plans for the weekend?
A We'll go to a music festival.
B We're going to a music festival.



4 Choose the correct words to complete the text.

Andy

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Hi! My mum's just got a new job, so **we're moving** / **we'll move** to a new area in a month. This means I'm **unlikely** / **about** to change schools, which I'm pretty nervous about, to be honest. The new term **will have been starting** / **will have started** by the time I get there and everyone **is due to know** / **will already know** each other. My parents say **I'll make** / **I'm making** friends quickly, but I keep worrying about the first day when I **walk** / **will walk** in to class. Everyone **will be thinking** / **will have been thinking**, 'Here comes the new kid. What's he **out to be** / **going to be** like?'

Vik

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I did exactly the same last term and I was fine. Don't worry – you **will be** / **are due to be** too. The first day is the worst. After you **will get** / **get** through that, **you're feeling** / **you'll feel** more confident. Just be yourself, find one friendly face and I know **you'll be enjoying** / **you're likely to enjoy** your new school in no time!