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Grammar

Compound future tenses

I can use compound future tenses for predictions and suppositions.

1 Choose the correct compound future tense in these sentences.

- 1 At the end of this month, I'll be / have been looking for a job for exactly one year.
- 2 By the time my brother leaves school, I'll have finished / have been finishing university.
- 3 In fifty years, nobody will be using / have been using cash any longer.
- 4 If Chelsea win the final, how many times will they have won / be winning the FA Cup?
- 5 You can take my bike in the morning. I won't be using / have used it tomorrow.
- 6 Sam's train will be arriving / have been arriving at 4 p.m.; let's meet him at the station.
- 7 There won't be any food left if you arrive at 9 p.m. – we'll be eating / have eaten it all by then.
- 8 I'll be tired when I reach the hotel, as I'll have been travelling / be travelling since 5 a.m.

2 Read about the 'eco village'. Then use the prompts to write sentences in the future perfect simple or continuous or the future continuous.

ECO VILLAGE

- 2028
Designs finalised
- 2030
Building work starts
- 2035
Half the homes finished
- 2036
First residents arrive
- 2040
All homes finished



1 (2029 / start building work)

In 2029, they won't have started the building work.

2 (2033 / build / three years)

3 (2036 / half the homes / be finished)

4 (2036 / first residents / arrive)

5 (2038 / the whole village / be built / yet)

6 (2042 / the project / be complete)

3 USE OF ENGLISH Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first. Include a compound future tense.

- 1 I expect my brother has arrived in Spain by now.
My brother in Spain by now.
- 2 I don't imagine Luke is enjoying the camping trip.
Luke the camping trip.
- 3 I doubt they've been able to find the thieves.
They the thieves.
- 4 I expect all the students have been sent home.
All the students home.
- 5 I imagine she's studying hard for her exams.
She her exams.
- 6 I don't expect this bike has been used much.
This bike much.

4 Complete the dialogue. Use the future continuous, future perfect simple or future perfect continuous of the verbs in brackets. Include the adverbs, where given.



Sarah I can't believe Owen missed the train. Now we (spend) the night here in Milan while he's still stuck in Bergamo.

Ted It doesn't matter. He can get a train in the morning. We (definitely / not leave) for the airport until the afternoon.

Sarah He was in the café next to the station. What happened? Did he forget the time?

Ted I guess so. He (most likely / read) his book. You know what he's like ...

Sarah Now he's all alone.

Ted I'm sure he's fine. He (no doubt / find) a hostel in Bergamo by now.

Sarah But why isn't he replying to my messages?

Ted Oh, he (turn off) his phone by now. He always turns it off when he goes to bed.

Sarah That's so annoying. Now I (probably / worry) about him all night.

Ted Relax! Owen (not worry); he (sleep) peacefully!