

be going to and present tenses for the future

1 ★ Circle the correct options.

- What time are you meeting / do you meet your friends at the library?
- The exam tomorrow is going to start / starts at 8.30 am.
- My sister is going to do / is doing work experience before her degree if she can.
- The Young People of the Year Awards take / are going to take place this Friday.
- Nathan is going / is going to go for a job interview this afternoon. He's very nervous!
- No, we aren't going / don't go to see each other until Sunday.
- I've decided I'm studying / I'm going to study computer science at university.
- What day does school finish / is school going to finish this term?

2 ★★ Complete the text with the correct future form of the verbs in brackets.

LUCA, BASKETBALL PLAYER, ARGENTINA, 14

Q: What are you doing at the weekend?

A: I ¹ 'm playing (play) a league match on Saturday morning, and I ² _____ (go) to a party with some friends in the evening. On Sunday, I ³ _____ (not do) a lot. I ⁴ _____ (relax).

Q: And what are your plans for the summer?

A: In July, my team ⁵ _____ (take) part in an international tournament in Spain. It ⁶ _____ (start) at the end of June and ⁷ _____ (end) in early August.

Q: So, what about your future, Luca?

A: That's easy! I ⁸ _____ (work) hard and one day I ⁹ _____ (play) in the NBA.

3 ★★★ Complete the text with the correct future form of the verbs in the box.

study practise prepare go compete
not get participate take

Kaye Yao, 15, ¹ is competing in the South Korean Sudoku Super Challenge this year with thousands of other teenage competitors. The event ² _____ place next December. Yao ³ _____ for the fourth time (last year she was third in her category). So, how ⁴ _____ she _____ for the championships? Well, she ⁵ _____ to a two-day training camp next November. Then she ⁶ _____ every day until the championships, but she ⁷ _____ nervous. 'I just do Sudoku for fun,' says Yao. 'I love logic and puzzles and I ⁸ _____ Maths at university.'

4 ★★★ Write answers to the questions.

- When is the next birthday in your family and whose is it?

- What are the dates of the next school holidays?

- What arrangements have you got in the next few weeks, and who with?

- What are your plans for the future?

My mum's birthday is on December 14th.

Explore expressions with take

5 ★★ Complete the text with the words in the box.

time the exams place advice up

There's a big education fair in my city which takes ¹ place in May each year. I'm going to go because I don't know what to do when I leave school. It's difficult to know who to take ² _____ from, because everyone tells me different things! Dad says I should take ³ _____ a job in the family business, like he did. My teachers think I should go to university, and Mum wants me to take ⁴ _____ to go to Oxford or Cambridge. I suppose I can take ⁵ _____ to decide what I want to do as I'm only 14, but I like to plan ahead!