Unit 7

Grammar

Future time (present continuous, *will*, *be going to*, present simple)

Present continuous

Form

For the form of the present continuous, see Unit 1.

Use	Example
Arrangements	*We're **driving** to Berlin this weekend.*

Watch out!

- Things we want to do in the future but have not arranged are called 'intentions'. We do not use the present continuous for intentions. We use *be going to* instead.
  ✗ ~~*I'm **becoming** an explorer when I grow up.*~~
- ~~We do not use the present continuous for predictions.~~ We use *will* or *be going to* instead.
  ✗ ~~*Do you think you're **enjoying** your trip to Berlin next week?*~~

will

Form

will + bare infinitive

statement	negative	question
*I/you/he/she/it/we/they **will ('ll)** go …*	*I/you/he/she/it/we/they **will not (won't)** go …*	***Will** I/you/he/she/it/we/they go …?*

Use	Example
Facts about the future	*The new airport **will** be the biggest in Europe.*
Predictions	*You'**ll** have a great time in the Bahamas.*
Offers and requests	*We'**ll** help you get ready for your holiday.*
Decisions made now	*I know! I'**ll** go to China this summer.*

Watch out!

- With offers which are questions, we use *Shall* with *I* and *we*.
  ✓ ***Shall** I drive you to the airport?*
- We do not use *will* for arrangements.
  ✗ ~~*We'**ll visit** my grandma this weekend.*~~

be going to

Form

be going to + bare infinitive

statement	negative	question
*I **am ('m) going to** travel …*	*I **am ('m) not going to** travel …*	***Am** I **going to** travel …?*
*He/she/it **is ('s) going to** travel …*	*He/she/it **is not (isn't / 's not) going to** travel …*	***Is** he/she/it **going to** travel …?*
*You/we/they **are ('re) going to** travel …*	*You/we/they **are not (aren't / 're not) going to** travel …*	***Are** you/we/they **going to** travel …?*

Use	Example
Intentions	*I'**m going to** become an explorer when I grow up.*
Predictions (often with evidence we can see)	*It's **going to** rain, so take an umbrella.*
Facts about the future	*The new airport **is going to** be the biggest in Europe.*

Present simple

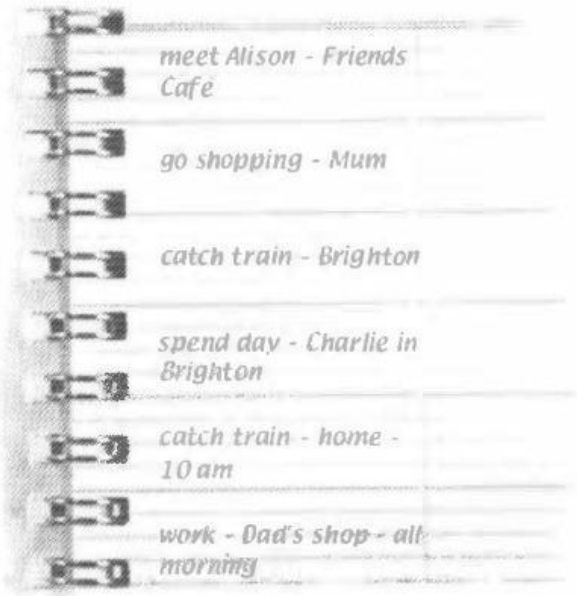
Form

For the form of the present simple, see Unit 1.

Use	Example
Timetables	*My plane **leaves** at six.*

LIVEWORKSHEETS

A Look at Shelley's diary and use the prompts to write sentences. Use the correct form of the present continuous.



1 On Monday, she .....
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2 On Tuesday, she .....
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3 On Wednesday, she .....
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4 On Thursday, she .....
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5 On Friday, she .....
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6 On Saturday, she .....
.....

B Complete using *will* or *shall* and the verbs in the box. You may have to use some negative forms.

be • come • find • have • lend • live • take • visit

1 This year, more than a million tourists ..... our local area.
2 I'm sure we ..... your bag soon. Where did you last see it?
3 ..... you ..... me some money until Saturday?
4 Everything on the menu looks delicious! Erm ... I ..... Chicken Kiev, please.
5 I ..... you to the bus station, if you like.
6 One day, people ..... on Mars in special buildings.
7 No, there ..... any problems with delivering your new furniture next week.
8 ..... we ..... at six to help you get things ready for dinner?

C Complete using the correct form of *be going to* and the verbs in brackets. You may have to use some negative forms.

1 When I grow up, I ..... (**play**) guitar in a rock group!
2 Rick and Mark ..... (**start**) going to the gym twice a week.
3 ..... Lauren ..... (**tell**) her mum about what happened?
4 I ..... (**look**) on the Internet for information about snowboarding.
5 No, Nadine ..... (**invite**) everyone from class – just her close friends.
6 ..... Harry ..... (**be**) ready on time or not?
7 Careful! You ..... (**break**) something with that ball! Go outside!
8 I ..... (**lie down**) for half an hour. Call me at six o'clock.

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D Complete using the correct present simple form of the verbs in the box.

arrive • come • leave • take

'I'm so excited about my holiday! My plane (**1**) ..... the airport here at nine o'clock and we (**2**) ..... in Paris two hours later. We then (**3**) ..... the train from the airport to the city. We'll have a great week, and then we (**4**) ..... back on the 17th. I can't wait!'

E Circle the correct word or phrase.

1 Oscar says he **is doing / will do** the washing-up after dinner.
2 I'm a bit scared because I **am seeing / will see** the dentist this afternoon.
3 What **are you going to do / do you do** this evening?
4 **Shall you tell / Will you tell** Rupert I'm sorry about yesterday?
5 My dad **will grow / is going to grow** a beard, but my mum doesn't like the idea.
6 I have to revise tonight because we **are having / will have** an exam tomorrow.
7 I **am remembering / will remember** this day for the rest of my life!
8 **Do you go / Are you going** to Australia next Christmas?
9 I'm sure you **are passing / will pass** your driving test. Don't worry.
10 If you want me to, I **will complain / am going to complain** to the manager about it.

F Choose the correct answer.

1 'Have you made plans for the summer?'
'Yes. ..... to Spain.'
A We'll go B We're going C We go

2 'We're moving house tomorrow.'
'Really? ..... you with the furniture.'
A I help B I'm helping C I'll help

3 'Do you need this paintbrush?'
'Ah, yes. ..... it to me, please?'
A Do you pass B Will you pass C Are you passing

4 'What do you want to be when you grow up, Stevie?'
'..... a scientist. That's what I want to do, anyway.'
A I be B I'm going to be C I'm being

5 'John is a better player than Martin, isn't he?'
'Oh, yes. ..... the match tomorrow, I expect.'
A He'll win B He wins C He's winning

6 'The weather has been terrible, hasn't it?'
'Yes, I think ..... again later.'
A it's going to rain B it's raining C it rains

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