

Future forms

Future Simple (Will)	Be going to	Future Continuous	Future Perfect
<p>decisions taken at the moment of speaking (on-the-spot decisions) <i>It's getting dark, I'll turn on the light.</i></p>	<p>future plans and intentions <i>Now that they've settled in their new house, they're going to have a party.</i></p>	<p>actions in progress at a stated future time <i>He'll be sunbathing in Hawaii this time next week.</i></p>	<p>actions which will have finished before a stated future time <i>She will have come back by the end of July.</i></p> <p>Note: <i>by</i> or <i>not ... until / till</i> are used with the Future Perfect. <i>Until / till</i> are normally used with the Future Perfect only in negative sentences. <i>She will have finished by 8 o'clock.</i> (NOT: <i>until/till</i>) <i>She won't have finished until 8 o'clock.</i></p>
<p>hopes, fears, threats, offers, promises, warnings, predictions, requests, comments, etc. especially with: expect, hope, believe, I'm sure, I'm afraid, probably, etc. <i>I'm afraid I'll be a little late.</i></p>	<p>predictions based on what we can see or what we know, especially when there is evidence <i>Ann is going to have a baby.</i> <i>Look at the dark clouds in the sky! It's going to rain.</i></p>	<p>actions which are the result of a routine (instead of the Present Continuous) <i>I'll be seeing John tomorrow.</i> (We work in the same office so we'll definitely meet.)</p>	
<p>future predictions based on what we think / imagine will happen <i>They'll probably go shopping on Tuesday.</i> (prediction)</p> <p>facts in the future <i>He will be ten next year.</i></p>	<p>things we are sure about or we have already decided to do in the near future <i>Max is going to invite his friends to dinner.</i> (He has already decided to do this.)</p>	<p>when we ask politely about people's arrangements to see if they can do sth for us or because we want to offer to do sth for them <i>Will you be going to the supermarket? Can you buy me some tea?</i></p>	<p>Future Perfect Continuous</p> <p>emphasis on the duration of an action up to a certain time in the future <i>By the end of this year, Sally will have been working here for two years.</i></p>
<p>things we are not sure about or haven't decided to do yet <i>She'll probably pass the test.</i> (not sure yet)</p>		<p>Present Simple (future meaning)</p> <p>timetables / programmes <i>The plane reaches London at 9:45 pm.</i></p>	<p>Present Continuous (future meaning)</p> <p>fixed arrangements in the near future <i>Sally is seeing her dentist tomorrow afternoon.</i> (Sally has already made an appointment.)</p>

Time expressions used with:

Will / Be going to / Future Continuous	tomorrow, tonight, next week / month, in two / three, etc. days, the day after tomorrow, soon, in a week / month, etc.
Future Perfect	before, by, by then, by the time, until (is used only in negative sentences with this tense)
Future Perfect Continuous	by ... for <i>By the end of next month, she will have been teaching for thirty years.</i>

Shall is used:

with I/we in questions, suggestions, offers or when asking for advice.

Shall we play tennis? What shall I do?

Will is used:

to express offers, threats, promises, predictions, warnings, requests, hopes, fears, on-the-spot decisions, comments (mainly with: think, expect, believe, I'm sure, hope, know, suppose and probably). *I hope he'll be on time.*

8 Put the verbs in brackets into the *present simple*, the *present continuous* or the *future simple*.



Hi! My name is Nuno and I'm Portuguese. Like every teen, I enjoy spending time with my friends. Unfortunately, my parents 1) *don't think* (not/think) I'm old enough to stay out late at night. They say that I 2) (be able to) when I am older.

In Portugal, children my age 3) (watch) a lot of sports, especially football. My favourite football player is Cristiano Ronaldo. At present, he 4) (play) for Real Madrid and is also the captain of the Portuguese national team. Apart from watching sports, I listen to rap music. My favourite singer is Kayne West. He 5) (come) to Portugal this summer. I'm so excited!

At the moment, in school I 6) (try) to get good grades. After I finish high school, I hope I 7) (go) to university. But like most teenagers, I just want to have fun for now!

9 Look at the pictures and fill in the gaps with the verbs from the list in the *present continuous*, the *future simple (will)*, the *present simple* or *be going to* form.

arrive answer turn down become move have spend leave

1 The express train *arrives* in Newport at 6:15 pm.



2 I the chicken sandwich with chips, please.

3 They the day at the park.



4 I a famous violinist one day.

5 Sam and Jane into their new house next week.



6 My plane in half an hour.

7 The music is too loud; I the volume.



8 "Someone is at the door." "Don't worry, I it!"

11 Put the verbs in brackets into the future perfect or the future perfect continuous.

- 1 By 7:00 pm they *will have been playing* (play) cricket for eight hours.
- 2 I (finish) painting your room by the time you get home.
- 3 By the end of next month, I (live) in London for exactly three years.
- 4 Tom (write) his third novel by the end of this year.
- 5 By the time he arrives in London, John (drive) for five hours.
- 6 This film (probably/not/finish) until eleven.

14 Put the verbs in brackets into the future continuous, the future perfect, the present continuous or the present simple.

- 1 A: I'm going on holiday with Emma in June. I'm so happy!
B: *Will you have finished* (you/finish) your exams by then?
- 2 A: (go) to the school dance?
B: No, because my family (move) to Newport by the end of the school year.
- 3 A: My sister (fly) to Paris tomorrow.
B: What time (she/leave)?
- 4 A: (you/use) the phone much longer? I need to make a call.
B: I'm sorry but this is really important. Give me another ten minutes.
- 5 A: I (leave) the library by 6 o'clock at the latest.
B: Great! The film (start) at 7:00 pm. You will have plenty of time to get there.

15 Fill in the correct *present or future forms*.



Dear Veena,

I 1) ... **B** ... to tell you about the exciting plans I have for when you 2) me in New York City! As soon as I 3) you up from the airport, I'll take you to my flat. 4) you settle in, we are going to dinner at the famous Rainbow Room in Rockefeller Center. It has a great view of the city. The next day we 5) famous sites all day like the Empire State Building and the Statue of Liberty. There 6) plenty of time to take a walk through Central Park and visit Times Square as well. In the evening we 7) *Mamma Mia* at the Broadway Theatre. Don't worry, 8) you leave, you will have the chance to go shopping on Fifth Avenue at some of the best shops in the world. I promise you, by the time you leave, you 9) the best of New York. Let me know if you 10) anything. I can't wait to see you!

Love,
Monica

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| 1 | A write | B am writing | C will write | D will be writing |
| 2 | A will have visited | B are visiting | C visit | D will be visiting |
| 3 | A will pick | B will be picking | C am picking | D pick |
| 4 | A Until | B After | C By the time | D While |
| 5 | A will be visiting | B will have visited | C are visiting | D visit |
| 6 | A is | B will be | C is going to be | D have been |
| 7 | A see | B will have seen | C will see | D are going to see |
| 8 | A after | B as soon as | C before | D while |
| 9 | A will have seen | B will see | C will be seeing | D see |
| 10 | A will need | B will be needing | C will have needed | D need |

16 Choose the correct item A, B, C or D.

- I expect we there in half an hour.
A are being **B** will be C are D will have been
- I see the Picasso exhibition at the National Gallery tomorrow.
A am going to B will have gone to C will be going to D will go to
- Andrew thirteen years old on September 3rd.
A is being B is going to be C will be D will have been
- He to Frankfurt by the time I arrive in London.
A will have flown B will be flying C is going to fly D will have been flying
- This time next week, I to Jamaica.
A fly B will be flying C will fly D am going to fly
- It's really cold today. I think it
A will be snowing B is going to snow C will snow D will have been snowing
- John in London for three years by the end of the month.
A will be working B will have been working C will work D is going to work
- I'm sure we the match tomorrow.
A will be winning B are going to win C are winning D will win