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The Future

Choose the correct words.



Future simple

Affirmative			Negative			Question		
I/You/ He/She/ It/We/ They	will/'ll send	an email.	I/You/ He/She/ It/We/ They	will not/ won't send	an email.	Will	I/you/ he/she/ it/we/ they	send an email?
Use						Example		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • predictions • future facts • decisions made at the moment of speaking • offers • requests • suggestions • promises • refusals 						<p><i>I think it will rain later.</i></p> <p><i>The new mobile phone shop will open tomorrow.</i></p> <p><i>I'll have the chocolate cake and a coffee, please.</i></p> <p><i>Shall I show you how to use the camera?</i></p> <p><i>Will you help me with my homework, please?</i></p> <p><i>Shall we go to the library now?</i></p> <p><i>I won't be late, I promise. I'll be home at half past nine.</i></p> <p><i>No, I won't eat that!</i></p>		
<p>We often use these time words and phrases with the future simple: <i>today, later, tomorrow, on Monday/Tuesday, etc., soon, at/before six o'clock, in half an hour/five days/a week/month, etc., in the future/2050, next week/month/year, this week/summer, etc., when I'm older/thirty-five, etc.</i></p>						<p><i>I'll see you later.</i></p> <p><i>Shall we go swimming next week?</i></p> <p><i>More people will have computers in 2050.</i></p> <p><i>The weather will get worse next week.</i></p> <p><i>I'll have my own robot when I'm older.</i></p>		

Notes:

- 1 We usually use *shall* with offers and suggestions, for *I* and *we*, e.g., **Shall I show you** how to use this camera?
- 2 We can also use the future simple after phrases like *I hope...*, *I think...*, *I expect...*, *I'm sure...*, *I guess...*, *I'm afraid...*, or words like *probably* and *perhaps*, e.g., *I expect **I'll see** you later; Perhaps it **will rain** this afternoon.*

Future perfect

Affirmative			Negative			Question			
I/You/He/ She/It/We/ They	will/'ll have finished	by tonight.	I/You/He/ She/It/We/ They	won't have finished	by tonight.	Will	I you he she it we they	have finished	by tonight?
Use						Example			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> actions that will be completed by a specific time in the future 						Tom will have fixed the bike by seven this evening. I won't have recorded the film before you get here. Will they have arrived in half an hour?			
We often use these time words and phrases with the future perfect: <i>by six o'clock/tonight/then/the weekend/the time..., in two weeks'/ months'/years' time, in time, until/till, before the end of the day/seven o'clock/Dad gets home, etc.</i>						<i>Will they have bought the new computer by the weekend?</i> <i>Joe will have finished his computer project in two weeks' time.</i>			
Notes: We only use <i>until</i> or <i>till</i> in negative future perfect sentences, e.g., <i>I won't have finished this job until eleven tonight.</i>									

Future continuous

Affirmative			Negative			Question			
I/You/He/ She/It/ We/They	will/'ll be working	later.	I/You/He/ She/It/We/ They	will not/ won't be working	later.	Will	I/you/he/she it we they	be working	later?
Use						Example			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> actions or events in progress at a specific time in the future a future action that has already been arranged 						<i>They'll be playing their favourite online game all afternoon.</i> <i>He'll be waiting for us at seven outside the Internet café.</i>			
We often use these time words and phrases with the future continuous: <i>tomorrow, a week/month/year from now, soon, this time tomorrow/next week/month/year, at half past five, etc., all afternoon/evening/night, etc., when..., in 2050/two hours/days, etc.</i>						<i>People will be using space cars a hundred years from now.</i> <i>I will be taking my exams this time tomorrow.</i> <i>Will Mum be making lunch when we get home?</i>			

going to

Affirmative			Negative			Question			
I	am/'m going to	work.	I	am/'m not going to	work.	Am	I	going to	work?
You/We/ They	are/'re going to		You/We/ They	are not / aren't going to		Are	you/we/ they		
He/She/ It	is/'s going to		He/She/ It	is not / isn't going to		Is	he/she/it		
Use						Example			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> future plans and intentions predictions based on present circumstances 						<i>She's going to text her friend later.</i> Are you going to turn off the computer before you go to bed? <i>Jane's playing well. She isn't going to lose this game!</i>			

We often use these time words and phrases with *going to*: *soon, later, this afternoon, tonight, tomorrow, on Monday/Tuesday, etc., at the weekend, next week/month, etc., in a few minutes, one day, when.*

*It's going to rain **this afternoon.***
*Are they going to watch a DVD **at the weekend?***
*Alice isn't going to go to school **next week.***
*I'm going to have lunch **when I go home.***
*Everything's going to be different **in the future.***

Notes:

- 1 We usually use *going to* for plans when we talk about plans that are already made at the time of speaking.
- 2 We can use expressions like *Look out!* with *going to* when we are making a prediction based on present evidence, e.g., **Look out!** *That tree's going to fall on your car!*

Present continuous

Affirmative			Negative			Question		
I	am/'m	talking.	I	am/'m not	talking.	Am	I	talking?
You/We/They	are/'re		You/We/They	are not/aren't		Are	you/we/they	
He/She/It	is/'s		He/She/It	is not/isn't		Is	he/she/it	
Use			Example					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • future arrangements made before the time of speaking 			<i>I'm meeting Sandy and Luke at the weekend.</i> <i>They aren't playing football this afternoon.</i> <i>Is Jon calling this evening?</i>					
<p>We often use these time words and phrases with the present continuous for the future: <i>today, later, at eight o'clock, etc., this evening, tomorrow, at the weekend, next summer, on Saturday, etc.</i></p>			<i>I'm not going out this evening.</i> <i>Are you coming to the cinema tomorrow?</i> <i>We aren't having a computer lesson at the weekend.</i> <i>They're going to Africa next summer.</i>					

Present simple

Affirmative		Negative		Question		
I/You/We/They	leave at eleven.	I/You/We/They	don't leave at eleven.	Do	I/you/we/they	leave at eleven?
He/She/It	leaves at eleven.	He/She/It	doesn't leave at eleven.	Does	he/she/it	
Use				Example		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • timetables or events that are programmed to happen at a time or date in the future 				<i>The plane arrives at half past ten.</i> <i>The concert doesn't start until nine o'clock.</i> <i>Does school end on 25th June this year?</i>		
<p>We often use these time words and phrases with the present simple for the future: <i>at eight o'clock, etc., on 12th May, etc., before, after, until/till, What time...?, When...?, in ten minutes, as soon as, when, once.</i></p>				<i>The coach leaves before nine.</i> <i>What time does the shop open tomorrow?</i> <i>Once the film starts, all mobile phones must be off.</i>		
Notes:						
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 We only use <i>until</i> or <i>till</i> in negative present simple sentences about the future, e.g., <i>The bus doesn't arrive till midnight.</i> 2 We do not use <i>will</i> after e.g., <i>before, after, until/till, when, as soon as, once. I'll call you as soon as I get home.</i> 						

Practice

1 Read the sentences and choose the correct answer.

- 1 I'll help you with your homework.
This is **a request / an offer**.
- 2 We're going to stay in a log cabin this summer!
This is **a plan / a prediction**.
- 3 At eight o'clock this evening, my family and I will be watching TV.
This is talking about **a decision made at the time of speaking / an action in progress at a specific time in the future**.
- 4 I will have read this book by the end of the week.
This is talking about an action that **will / won't** be completed by a specific time in the future.
- 5 The 2016 Olympics take place in Rio de Janeiro.
This is **a fixed event in the future / a suggestion**.
- 6 Shall I take the dog for a walk?
This is a future event that **has been arranged / has not been arranged**.

3 Match to make sentences.

- 1 Your lunch will
- 2 Will Pete be
- 3 Mum won't have
- 4 Davina won't pass
- 5 Are you going to
- 6 Let's run! My favourite programme
- 7 The boys aren't
- 8 Shall I make

- a wash your hair?
- b working on Friday evening?
- c starts in five minutes.
- d her English exam.
- e you a cheese sandwich?
- f cleaned my jeans in time for me to wear them tonight.
- g be ready in ten minutes.
- h going swimming at the weekend.

4 Rewrite the sentences in the negative and question form.

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|--|---|--|---|
| 1 Owen will be working on his project tomorrow. | ? | 4 Robots will have replaced teachers by 2025. | ? |
| | . | | . |
| 2 We're going to learn about online businesses in the next lesson. | ? | 5 The film starts at half past seven. | ? |
| | . | | . |
| 3 Mum will like my new ringtone! | ? | 6 Simon's taking his pet cat to school tomorrow! | ? |
| | ! | | . |

2 Choose the correct answer.

- 1 **Will / Have** you come to the party with me? It's going to be fun!
- 2 Will they have **spent / spend** all their money by the end of the weekend?
- 3 Life will be very different **in the future / before**.
- 4 My sister **doesn't / won't** take part in the concert. She's too embarrassed.
- 5 The teacher **won't / shall not** be angry about us being a little bit late.
- 6 Paul **won't have / won't** finished his project in time. He's really lazy!
- 7 I promise I **will / will have** be home in time for dinner.
- 8 Will you have **finish / finished** dinner by the time I get home?

5 Complete the sentences about what Mary will be doing. Use the future continuous form.

- 1 At seven o'clock, Mary
- 2 At half past eight,
- 3 At ten o'clock,
- 4 At twelve o'clock,
- 5 At three o'clock, Mary and Ria
- 6 At quarter past five, Mary and Rob
- 7 At half past six,
- 8 At nine o'clock,

6 Write the words in the correct order.

- 1 sports centre / the / half past eight / at / opens / .
- 2 for / studying / Ben's / this weekend / his exams / .
- 3 music lessons / her / is / going to stop / Clare / ?
- 4 will / what / fifty years from now / be / wearing / people / ?
- 5 to America / Anna and I / in August / are going / .
- 6 will have learned / before / the English lesson / Trudi / the new vocabulary / .
- 7 a birthday party / the girls / will / have / next year / ?
- 8 at the villa / for us / will / be / Uncle Norman / waiting / .

7 Complete the email with words and phrases from the box.

open 'll want take won't is going to won't 're going

Hi Rose,

Guess what! My Mum ¹ buy me a new mobile phone at last! I'm really excited. We ² shopping together on Saturday. I want to go early because the shops ³ at half past eight, but Mum says she ⁴ leave home before half past nine. Anyway, do you ⁵ to come with us? I need some help choosing my phone! We ⁶ meet you outside Phones 4 Fun! at ten o'clock. I hope that ⁷ be too early for you. I'm sure it won't ⁸ me long to choose my phone. After that, you and I can go to the Internet café and meet Joe and the other kids. What do you think? Text me this evening to tell me if you're coming.

Talk soon,

Faith

Mary's list for Friday

- 07.00 have a shower
 08.30 eat breakfast
 10.00 walk to the Internet café
 12.00 meet Adam for lunch
 3.00 watch a film on TV with Ria
 5.15 take Riley for a walk with Rob
 6.30 make food for the party with Mum
 9.00 dance at the party!



8 Make questions from the prompts. Use the answers to help you choose the correct future form.

- 1 you / type / this email / for me / please
A:
B: Yes, of course. I'll do it right now!
- 2 it / be / a nice day / tomorrow
A:
B: Yes, I think it is!
- 3 you / chat / to Julie / online / later
A:
B: Yes, I am. I'm calling her first to make sure she's at her computer.
- 4 Jim / finish / his new painting / by the end of the summer
A:
B: No, he might not have finished it by then.
- 5 the technology class / start / at midday
A:
B: No, it doesn't.
- 6 you / use / your new computer / tonight
A:
B: Yes, but I won't be doing it until after I get back from the cinema.
- 7 we / listen to / some new CDs / later
A:
B: Yes, and we're going to order some pizza, too!
- 8 Dad / arrive / in London / by nine tonight
A:
B: No, the plane won't have landed by then.

9 Choose the correct answer.

- 1 Oscar and Nick _____ together next Saturday afternoon.
A are going skateboarding B skateboard
- 2 Hey, Jess. What _____ to the school party?
A will you have worn B are you going to wear
- 3 Do you promise you _____ your temper when I tell you what happened?
A won't have lost B won't lose
- 4 I'm sorry. The report _____ ready on time.
A won't have been B isn't going to be
- 5 By July, we _____ in this house for ten years.
A are going to live B will have lived
- 6 This time next week, Lisa _____ with her cousins in Italy.
A will be hanging out B is hanging out
- 7 Mum and Dad _____ each other for 20 years next month.
A will be knowing B will have known
- 8 When we visit Egypt, I _____ lots of photos of the pyramids.
A will have taken B am going to take

10 Read and choose the correct answer.

What will the mobile phones of the future ¹ _____ like? Will they ² _____ a lot by, say, the year 2030? Well, in the future, your mobile phone ³ _____ your life. It ⁴ _____ working before you wake up. It will know your timetable and it will wake you up at the right time every day. Your mobile phone is also ⁵ _____ your home, by turning on the heating when you need to get up early to study for a test, for example. It ⁶ _____ your music and video centre, too, when you are away from home. While you're sleeping, it'll find programmes that it knows ⁷ _____ you and record them for you to watch in your free time. It ⁸ _____ you plan what to have for dinner by sending you ideas based on what it knows you like! Yes, the mobile phone of the future ⁹ _____ very different from the ones we use today. In fact, the only thing it ¹⁰ _____ do for you is your homework!

- 1 A be
B have been
- 2 A change
B have changed
- 3 A will control
B will have controlled
- 4 A will start
B is starting
- 5 A controlling
B going to control
- 6 A is
B 'll be
- 7 A are going to interest
B are interesting
- 8 A will help
B is helping
- 9 A is going to be
B is
- 10 A will
B won't

11 Complete the dialogue with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

Lee: Walter, what do you think you ¹ (do) this time next year?

Walter: Well, actually, I ² (go) to college in England. The course ³ (start) on the 20th September and it ⁴ (finish) at the end of July.

Lee: So you ⁵ (not be) here this time next year, for sure.

Walter: No, I won't. In fact, by this time next year I ⁶ (be) in England for six months.

Lee: Where ⁷ you (live) when you're in England?

Walter: I ⁸ (stay) with my aunt until I find somewhere better. We've already planned that.

Lee: That's great! I ⁹ (miss) you when you go. I ¹⁰ (send) lots of emails, I promise!

Walter: Me, too!

12 Complete the sentences with the correct future form of the words in brackets.

1 Mum, I promise I (not/be) back late. You know I'm responsible!

2 Look out! You (fall)!

3 you (make) lunch by the time Dad gets home?

4 I'm sure you (enjoy) this CD.

5 The rock concert (end) at eleven, so we can catch the last bus home.

6 I (carry) those books for you?

7 This time next week, George and Lily (lie) on the beach in Spain! They need a holiday because they're so hard-working.

8 I (not/leave) by the time you get here, so I'll see you later.

9 I (go) to the supermarket. What do we need?

10 **A:** Would you like cola or juice? **B:** I (have) juice, please.

13 Complete the text with one word in each gap.

I believe our lives will ¹ _____ very different in the year 2050. One thing is that we ² _____ watch TV or read books in the future. No, people ³ _____ use their iPhones for music and TV programmes, and we'll all read e-books on small computers that we can carry everywhere with us. Houses and cars will ⁴ _____ changed a lot, too, by 2050. People will ⁵ _____ in smart houses with computers that control everything. Cars will be smaller and towns are ⁶ _____ to look different from the way they look now. Computers ⁷ _____ control the cars, too, so we won't have to do a driving test. Also in 2050, a lot of people will be travelling in the sky using space cars.

There will be a lot of robots in 2050. In fact, I think robots ⁸ _____ going to do most of the jobs. Teachers, doctors and police officers will all be robots. So when my children have an English lesson in 2050, a robot will be ⁹ _____ them! Every family is going ¹⁰ _____ have a robot in the house to do all the work. I'm looking forward to that - I won't tidy my room ever again!

14 Choose the correct answers.

Hi Danny,

I arrived in Paris last night and I KNOW I ¹ _____ a brilliant time here!

Dad and I ² _____ to the top of the Eiffel Tower tomorrow. I think it'll be really good and I'm looking forward to it! I'm going to take lots of photos from the top.

On Tuesday, we ³ _____ Uncle Jean and Auntie Marie-Claude and we ⁴ _____ on a boat on the river. I hope I ⁵ _____ ill! Then all Wednesday morning we'll ⁶ _____ round Paris on one of those tour buses. That's going to be very interesting because ⁷ _____ see all the important places. By the end of Wednesday, we'll ⁸ _____ all of Paris!

We travel home on Thursday. The train ⁹ _____ Paris at eleven, and we'll be in London in time for lunch! So, I ¹⁰ _____ you on Thursday evening at football, as usual.

Have a good week. Enjoy playing on the computer with Joe - I'm sure you will!

See you soon,

Carl



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|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1 A will be having | B have | C am going to have | D am having |
| 2 A walk | B are going to walk | C will walk | D will have walked |
| 3 A 're meeting | B meet | C will have met | D will meet |
| 4 A go | B will have gone | C will go | D 're going |
| 5 A am not feeling | B won't be feeling | C won't have felt | D won't feel |
| 6 A have been riding | B be riding | C ride | D be going to ride |
| 7 A we will have | B we'll | C we're going | D we |
| 8 A see | B be seeing | C have seen | D going to see |
| 9 A will have left | B is leaving | C is going to leave | D leaves |
| 10 A 'm seeing | B see | C 'll see | D will have seen |

15 Write sentences using the prompts. Use the most appropriate future form each time.

- what / your brother / do / when he leaves / school? he / have got / any / plans?
- in my opinion / people / use / fewer cars / in the future.
- Blair / eat / all the chocolate cake / before we get home / so / I / buy / some more!
- their / next Maths test / be / on Tuesday morning.
- we / write / fifty emails / by the end of today!
- Mum / meet / my teacher / at seven tonight - I'm afraid / she / not be / pleased with my report!

16 Complete the second sentence so it means the same as the first. Use the word in bold.

- Cheryl is doing her homework between five and six o'clock.
have
By half past six her homework.
- The sky is blue. It'll be sunny all afternoon.
to
The sky is blue. It rain this afternoon.
- Harry's going to cook dinner now. It will take him two hours.
be
In an hour, Harry dinner.
- What time is the school concert on Friday?
start
What time Friday? on

Get it right!

17 Read the dialogue. Underline the mistake in each of the sentences in italics. Write the correct word on the lines.

Nate: Hi Kenny. *What are you do at the weekend?*¹

Kenny: Well, I'm going to go to Sam's birthday party on Saturday evening.

Nate: *What time is it start?*²

Kenny: I think it starts at seven o'clock.

Nate: Oh, well, I'll come, too. *I'll have do all my homework by that time.*³

Kenny: *Will you going to do your homework on Saturday afternoon, then?*⁴

Nate: Yes, I usually do. I like to have Sundays free so I can see my friends. *Anyway, are you be able to come to my house on Sunday?*⁵

Kenny: I'm not sure. *I will be played football for the team at twelve.*⁶
The match starts at 11.30. Why?

Nate: I'm getting a new computer game at the weekend. *I'll have buy it by Sunday and I'd like you to come and play.*⁷

Kenny: Great idea! OK, well, I'll change my plans. *I know ... I do my homework on Saturday afternoon, the same as you.*⁸ Then I'll come straight to your house after football on Sunday.

Nate: Cool! See you Sunday!



18 If the sentence is correct, put a tick. If it isn't, rewrite the sentence correctly.

- 1 Miss Timms will have told us about the test later.
- 2 *Gossip Girl* will have finished by half past nine.
- 3 Gina's seeing the doctor at ten tomorrow morning.
- 4 Shall we watch a DVD this evening?
- 5 Hurry! We will be missing the school bus!
- 6 It's going to get hotter in the future!
- 7 I think the music shop is closing by the time we get there.
- 8 The kids will have met at the cinema at seven tomorrow.

19 Work with a partner. Answer the questions below.

- 1 What do you believe will happen in the future?
- 2 What are you going to do when you leave school?
- 3 What will you be doing at this time next week?
- 4 What do you think you will be doing in ten years' time?
- 5 What will you have done by the end of next weekend?
- 6 What do you think people will use mobile phones and computers for in 2020?

Let's chat!