

1 Choose the best tense. Then match each example to a rule.

- 'I'm off to the shops now.' 'Really? I'll / I'm going to come with you.'
- I feel awful. I'll / I'm going to be sick.
- What time does Ben's flight / is Ben's flight going to arrive on Saturday?
- I've already planned my next holiday. I'll / I'm going to visit Paris.
- What do you do / are you doing tomorrow morning?
- I won't tell / I'm not telling anybody that you're here, I promise.
- I'm sure I'll pass / I'm passing all my exams.

There are various ways of talking about the future in English. Which one we choose depends on the context.

- We use *will* for facts and predictions.
- We use *will* for instant decisions.
- We use *will* for offers and promises.
- We use *going to* for things we have already decided to do.
- We use *going to* for predictions based on what we know or can see.
- We use the present continuous for arrangements.
- We use the present simple for events that are scheduled or timetabled.

2  1.15 Listen to people talking about the future. Complete the sentences with the correct future forms.

- Jamie _____ on Friday evening. It _____ o'clock.
- Marion _____ at university. Her _____ years.
- Jane _____ this weekend. If she gets back in time, she _____ Keith.
- Steve and Andrea _____. If it's a boy, they _____ Max. If it's a girl, they _____ Sarah.

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Time clauses

- In time clauses we normally use the present simple after *if*, *in case*, *unless*, *when*, *before*, *after*, *as soon as*, *by the time* and *until* to talk about the future. We don't use *will*. *Let me know as soon as he arrives. I'll finish my homework when I get to school.*
- We sometimes use the present perfect to indicate the completion of an action. *We'll go as soon as we've had lunch. I'll give you your CD back after I've listened to it.*

3 Complete the sentences. Use the present simple or present perfect. (Sometimes both are possible.)

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- I won't speak to him unless he _____ to me for being so rude.
- I'll phone you as soon as the meeting _____.
- The train will depart after the guard _____ his whistle.
- I'm not going to bed until I _____ this cup of tea.
- If you _____ Rob, tell him I'm looking for him.
- We can go when you _____ your suitcase.
- Take an umbrella in case it _____.
- By the time you _____ this letter, I will be in France.

4 Complete the second sentences so that the meaning is the same as the first. Use the word in capitals and the present simple or present perfect in the time clause.

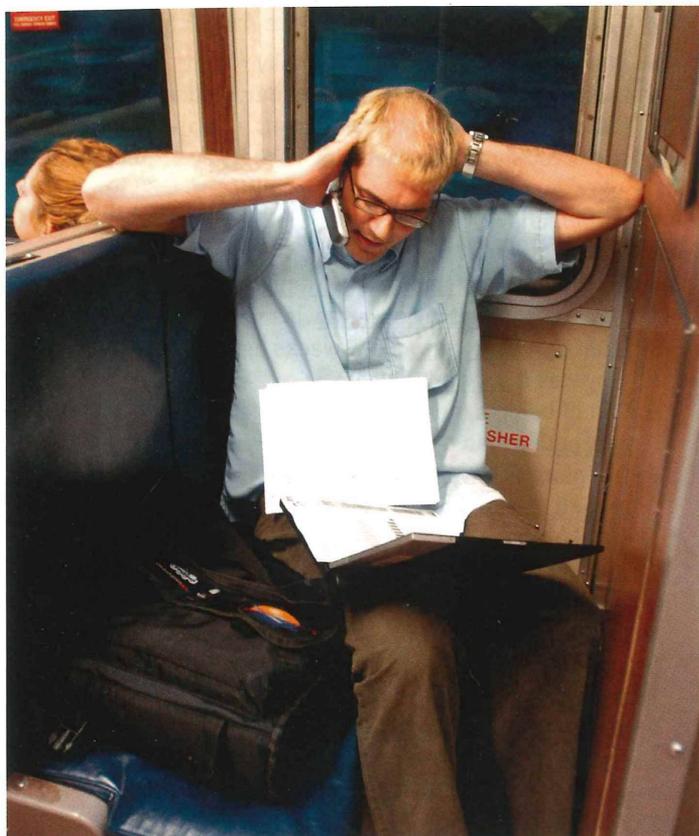
- We won't play tennis if it isn't sunny tomorrow. UNLESS
We won't play tennis unless it's sunny tomorrow.
- I'll let you stay out late when you are sixteen. UNTIL
I won't _____ sixteen.
- I'll take the photo, then I'll give you your camera back. AS SOON AS
I'll _____ the photo.
- John will get home, then I'll cook dinner. AFTER
I'll _____ home.
- I won't hang out the washing because it might rain. IN CASE
I won't _____ rains.
- You can't leave the table until you've eaten everything. BEFORE
You must _____ the table.
- I won't buy you a cake if you don't behave yourself. UNLESS
I won't _____ yourself.
- Think hard about it. Then decide what to do. UNTIL
Don't decide _____ it.

5 **SPEAKING** Work in pairs. Giving as much detail as possible, talk about something that:

- you're doing this weekend.
- you're going to do as soon as you have time.
- you'll probably do in the summer holidays.
- takes place in your town some time this year.
- you won't do until next year.
- you'll do before you go home this evening.

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- 1  1.17 Listen to the conversation between Dan, who's on a train, and Trisha, his girlfriend. Choose the verb forms that Dan and Trisha use.



- 1 We'll arrive / be arriving in Birmingham soon.
- 2 By the time I get home I'll have travelled / been travelling for eight hours.
- 3 Will you want / be wanting something to eat when you arrive?
- 4 No, I won't be hungry. I'll be eating / have eaten.
- 5 This time tomorrow we'll have sat / be sitting by the pool at the hotel.

- 2 Complete the rules 1–3 with a–e in the *Learn this!* box.

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- 1 We use the future continuous to _____ and _____ and _____.
 - 2 We use the future perfect to _____.
 - 3 We use the future perfect continuous to _____.
- a say how long an action has been in progress in the future
 b talk about something we expect will happen
 c talk about a completed action in the future
 d talk about an action in progress in the future
 e make a polite enquiry

- 3 Write sentences about this time next year. Use the prompts below and the future continuous, future perfect simple or future perfect continuous.

- finish all my exams (yes or no?)
- work in an office (yes or no?)
- live in this town (since when?)
- know my best friend (how long?)
- learn English (how long?)
- visit England (how many times?)

This time next year, I'll have finished / I won't have finished all my exams.

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- 4 Complete the conversations with the verbs in the box. Use the future continuous, the future perfect or the future perfect continuous.

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Dave What ¹ _____ you _____ this time tomorrow evening?

Sue I ² _____ probably _____ computer games in my bedroom.

Dave ³ _____ you _____ your homework?

Sue Yes, I always do it as soon as I get home from school.

Claudia Your English is very good, Agnes. How long have been learning?

Agnes About ten years. In fact, in July I ⁴ _____ it for eleven years.

Vicky Can I give you a lift to Jason's party?

Becky What time ⁵ _____ you _____ ?

Vicky At about 7.30.

Becky I ⁶ _____ from work by then. I'd better make my own way. What ⁷ _____ you _____ by the way?

Vicky My long green dress.

- 5 Rephrase the questions using the future continuous.

- 1 What time do you plan to go to bed this evening?
- 2 How are you going to get home this evening?
- 3 What are you planning to do this evening?
- 4 Who do you plan to see at the weekend?
- 5 Do you intend to go out on Saturday night?
- 6 What are you going to wear to school tomorrow?

- 6 **SPEAKING** Ask and answer the questions in pairs.