# Future Continuous

I/He/They will ('II) be working.
Will I/he/they be working? Yes, I/he/they will.
No, I/he/they won't.
I/He/They will not (won't) be working.

## Use

### The future continuous is used:

for an action which will be in progress at a stated future time.



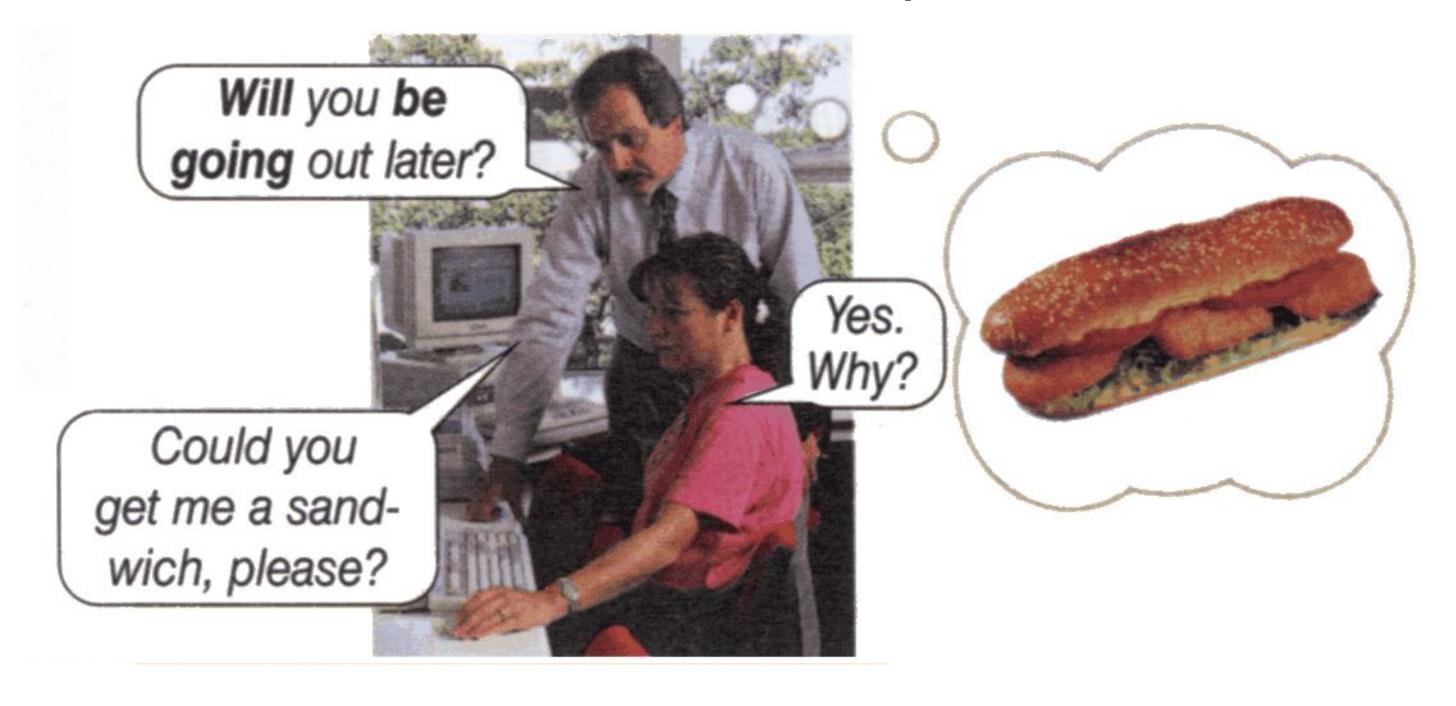
This time next week, I'll be skiing in Austria.

• for an action which will definitely happen in the future as the result of a routine or arrangement.



(They have a meeting every week. He will definitely see the rest of the team because it's already planned.)

when we ask politely about someone's plans for the near future (What we want to know is if our wishes fit in with their plans.).





You want to ask your friend to do something for you. Use the prompts below to make questions, as in the example.

- 1 You want your friend to buy you something at the supermarket. (go to)
  - Will you be going to the supermarket?
- 2 You want your friend to post a letter for you. (go to)
- You want to use your friend's bicycle today. (use)You want your friend to give a letter to Jeff soon. (see)



## Put the verbs in brackets into the future simple or the future continuous.



## Put the verbs in brackets into the correct future tense.

- 1 A: Are you looking forward to your holiday?
  - B: Oh, yes! This time next week I ...will/'ll be lying... (lie) on the beach.
- 2 A: We're having a party on Saturday.
  - B: Oh, good. I ...... (make) a cake to bring along.
- 3 A: Have you finished that report yet?
  - B: Yes. I ...... (give) it to you in a minute.
- 4 A: Why are you buying all those vegetables?
  - B: Because I ...... (make) vegetable soup.
- 5 A: This writing is too small for me to read.
  - B: Give it to me and I ..... (read) it to you.
- 6 A: I ...... (stay) at Claire's house tonight.
  - B: Alright. I won't expect you home, then.
- 7 A: Would you like to join me for lunch today?
  - B: Yes, please. I ...... (meet) you at half past one.
- 8 A: ...... (you/help) me with the shopping tomorrow?
  - B: Of course.
- 9 A: Are you excited about your trip?
  - B: Yes. This time tomorrow I ...... (sit) on the plane.
- 10 A: I can't hear the television very well.
  - B: I ...... (turn up) the volume.

## Future Perfect

### **FORM**

He/She/They will ('II) have left. Will he/she/they have left? Yes, he/she/they will. No, he/she/they won't.

He/She/They will not (won't) have left.

## Future Perfect Continuous

### **FORM**

I/You/We will ('II) have been working. Will l/you/we have been working? Yes, l/we will. No, I/we won't.

I/You/We will not (won't) have been working.

The future perfect is used for an action which will be finished before a stated future time.



They will have finished their meeting by four o'clock this afternoon.

The future perfect is used in sentences with the following time expressions: by, by the time, before, until, by then, etc.

The future perfect continuous is used to emphasise the duration of an action up to a certain time in the future.



By the time Rick retires, he will have been working for the same company for thirty years.

The future perfect continuous is used with: by ... for

Note: After the time expressions by the time, until, before, we use the present simple because they introduce time clauses. The future perfect and the future perfect continuous may come either before or after the time clause. Study the following examples:

a) I will have tidied up by the time you get back.

time clause

By the time she finishes work, we will have been waiting for more than an hour.

time clause



A The people below are all friends. What do they hope they will have done by the time they are thirty years old? Using the prompts below, make sentences, as in the example.

e.g. Alec hopes he will have travelled all over the



- B The same people will be thirty-five years old in a month's time. What will they have been doing by the end of next month? Using the prompts below, make sentences, as in the example.
- 1 Alec / travel / ten years ... By the end of next month, Alec will have been travelling for ten years.....
- 2 Mark / run / own business / eight years

3 Moira / star in films / six years

4 Kate / design clothes / four years

5 Jack / build houses / ten years

6 Ted / paint / fifteen years

# UNIT 3 Future Forms



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

1	By 3 o'clock, she will have been studying (study) for six hours.
2	By the end of next month, Sam
3	He (finish) the project. (not/start)
	painting the kitchen before Tuesday.
4	By the time she arrives in Paris, she
	(travel) for four hours.
5	I hope I (buy)
	my own house by the time I'm thirty-five.
6	By Saturday, Lisa (diet)
	for two weeks.
7	Hopefully, they (learn)
	everything by the time they sit the exam.
8	By 4 o'clock, I (sit)
	in the hairdresser's for three hours.
9	By Christmas, I (work)
	for this company for eighteen months.
10	By next weekend, Brian
	(move) house.
11	Hopefully, the builders
	(finish) building the house by next month.
12	By Tuesday, Alan
	(sail) for twelve days.
13	By tomorrow morning, she
	(sleep) for twelve hours.

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### Choose the correct answer.

- 1 'What are you thinking about?'
  'This time next week, I ... B... on the beach.'
  - A will have sunbathed
  - **B** will be sunbathing
  - C will have been sunbathing
- 2 'Have you finished decorating your house yet?' 'No, but I ...... by Friday.'
  - A will be finishing
  - B will have been finishing
  - C will have finished
- 3 'Have you just moved here?'
  - 'No. I ...... here for two years next month.'
  - A will be living
  - B will have been living
  - C have lived
- 4 '..... to the supermarket today?'

'Yes. Do you want me to get you something?'

- A Will you have gone
- B Will you have been going
- C Will you be going

5	'Can you give Steve a message for me?' 'Certainly I him at work later on today.'  A will be seeing  B will have seen  C will have been seeing
6	'You've been working hard all day.' 'Yes. At 3 o'clock, I for six hours.'  A will be studying  B will have been studying  C will have studied
7	'Sarah has gone to the cinema to see that film again 'I know. After this time, she it five times!'  A will have seen  B will have been seeing  C will be seeing
8	'John has an exam tomorrow, doesn't he?' 'Yes. In fact, at this time tomorrow, he the exam  A will have been sitting  B will be sitting  C has sat
9	'Are you typing another report?' 'Yes. By the time I finish this one, I twenty three reports today!'  A will have been typing

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will have typed

B will have danced

C will be dancing

A will have been dancing

C will be typing

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

'Those two people have been dancing all evening.'

'Yes. By 11 o'clock, they ...... for four hours.'

1	A:	I can't come shopping on Saturday morning because Iwill/'ll be working (work).
	B:	That's a pity.
2		Don't phone me later than midnight because I
		(sleep) then
	B:	Shall I give you a call at about 10:30, then?
3	A:	Come to my house at six o'clock.
	B:	(you/finish) you
		homework by then?
4	A:	Have you made the preparations for the party?
		Not yet, but I (finish)
		them by this evening.
5	A:	(you/go)
		to James' party on Saturday night?
	B:	Yes.
		Would you mind giving me a lift?
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6 A: There's a meeting tomorrow at 4 o'clock.

(leave) by then.

B: I can't go if it is that late. I .....

## Review of Future Forms

future simple: a) in predictions about the future usually with think, believe, be afraid, probably, etc. e.g. I believe life will change in the 21st century. b) for on-the-spot decisions or offers. e.g. It's late. I'll take a taxi home. I'll lend you my car if you want. c) for actions/events/situations which will definitely happen in the future and which we cannot control. e.g. Winter will set in early this year. d) for promises, threats, warnings, requests, hopes, etc. e.g. Stop talking or I'll send you out of the class. (warning) a) for plans, intentions or ambitions. e.g. I'm going to buy a sports car. be going to: b) in predictions when there is evidence that something will happen in the near future. e.g. Someone's going to fall over that box if you don't move it. present continuous: for fixed arrangements in the near future. e.g. He's flying to Turkey next month. He has already booked his flight. present simple: for timetables/programmes. e.g. The ferry leaves at eight o'clock tomorrow morning. a) for actions which will be in progress at a stated future time. future continuous: e.g. This time next week he'll be flying to Morocco. b) for actions which will definitely happen in the future, as a result of a routine or arrangement. e.g. I'll be seeing Jim at work later on today. c) when we ask politely about someone's plans for the near future, in order to see if our wishes fit in with their plans. e.g. 'Will you be going to the dentist this afternoon?' 'Yes, why?' 'Can you make an appointment for me to see him?' for actions which will be finished before a stated future time. future perfect: e.g. We will have returned home by Sunday afternoon. to emphasise the duration of an action up to a certain time in the future. future perfect

## Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense.

are you doing

continuous:

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	B:	I (leave) at 7 o'clock
		to go to the airport.
	A:	Oh yes, I remember. You
		(go) on holiday.
2	A:	Excuse me, what time
		(the bus/arrive)?
	B:	It (arrive) at 11 o'clock.
3	A:	It's cold in here.
	B:	You're right. I (close) the windows.
4	A:	Mum, my winter coat needs cleaning.
	B:	Okay, I (take) it to the
		dry cleaner's tomorrow.
5	A:	Is Jerry coming to the theatre with us next week?
	B:	I don't know, but I
		(see) him at football practice tomorrow. I
		(ask) him then.

(vou/do) tonight?

6	A:	How is your project coming along? Is it done?
	B:	Not yet, but I
		(finish) it by the time the holidays are over.
7	A:	Have you been waiting in this queue long?
	B:	Yes. By 4 o'clock, I
		(wait) for two hours.
8	A:	What
		(plan) to do this summer?
	B:	I (spend) a few weeks with my
		cousins. I have already arranged it with them.

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e.g. By the end of this week, she will have been working here for six years.

### Underline the correct tense.

1 Next Monday, Amanda 1) will have been starting/ is starting work. She 2) is going to work/will work for a large company in the city centre. By the end of next week, she 3) will be finishing/will have finished her training.

# UNIT 3 Future Forms

2 My parents have been married for almost thirty years. In fact, this time next month, they 1) will be celebrating/will have been celebrating their 30th wedding anniversary. They 2) will have been living/will be living in the same house for twenty-five years by next Thursday, and, by the time my father is sixty, he 3) will work/will have been working for the same company for forty years.

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## Put the verbs in brackets into the correct future tense.

Dear Victoria,

The holidays are coming and I've made lots of plans. This time next week, I (1) ... 'll be buying... (buy) Christmas presents for my family and friends. I (2) ..... (get) everything in one day, so that I can enjoy myself for the rest of the holidays. I'm staying at home with my family on Christmas Day, but two days later I (3) ..... (leave) for Austria. Becky and I (4) ..... ...... (spend) a week there skiing. I'm sure we (5) ...... (have) a wonderful time. When I come back from Austria, I (6) ..... ...... (probably/have) a party, because it's my birthday on January 5th. I (7) ...... (be) nineteen! I hope you (8) ..... (come). Well, I must go now. I'm going to help my mother with the housework. See you soon!

> Love, Penny.



# Study the following situations, then make sentences using the correct *future* tense, as in the example.

- 1 Your sister says that she is feeling cold. The window is open. You offer to close it.
  ... I'll close the window.
  2 You have been invited to a party next weekend, but
- 2 You have been invited to a party next weekend, but you can't go. You phone your friend to tell him.
- 3 You get up in the morning and look out of the window. You see big black clouds in the sky. You tell your brother about the weather.
- 4 Your friends want you to go away with them next weekend. You have already planned to spend the weekend with your parents. Tell your friends.

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## Put the verbs in brackets into the correct *future* tense.

1	My grandmother is very old. Shewill be (be)
	ninety next month.
2	I'm afraid I (fail) my exams this year.
	This time next week, they (lie)
	on a sandy beach.
4	The team (leave)
	the office by 9 o'clock tomorrow.
5	By 10 o'clock, Sue
	(drive) for twelve hours.
6	Jenny (see)
	Paul at work, so she can give him the letter.
7	The film (start)
	by the time they get to the cinema.
8	Tom expects he (get) a
	pay rise soon.
9	By 6 o'clock, the secretary
	(type) for three hours.
10	I hope I (buy) my own
	car by the time I'm thirty.
11	By next week, they
	(live) in this town for two years.
12	I (help) you carry your shopping.
13	Martin (do) the work by
	Sunday evening.
14	Mother (go) to the
	supermarket tonight. She has already made her
	shopping list.
15	The play (start) at 6 o'clock.



### Underline the correct tense.

- 1 When we go to Paris, we will climb/will have climbed the Eiffel Tower.
- 2 James will have completed/will have been completing his studies by the end of the year.
- 3 By the time I get home, I will have been walk-ing/will walk for three hours.
- 4 Kim will be performing/will have been performing in the school concert next week.
- We're too late to catch the bus. It will go/will have gone by now.
- 6 'We've run out of milk.' 'Really? I will buy/will have been buying some more this afternoon'.
- 7 This time tomorrow, I will have been leaving/will be leaving for the airport.
- 8 Sam will work/will have been working here for two years on Monday.
- 9 I will collect/will have collected you from Peter's house on my way home.
- 10 Julia will have found/will be finding the note I left for her by now.

### Put the verbs into the correct future tense.

- 1 Laura and George ...are going... (go) on holiday next week. They've already bought the tickets. 2 Wash your hands. Dinner ...... (be) ready in five minutes. 3 The baby keeps closing his eyes. He ...... (fall) asleep soon.
- 4 We ...... (not/go) to Penny's party tonight because Jack is working.
- 5 We're very late. Mum ..... (return) home by now.
- 6 The football match ...... (begin) in a few minutes. We'd better hurry up.
- 7 Jane will have to get up early when she ...... ..... (start) her new job.
- 8 I ...... (meet) Nick at the airport at 6 o'clock this evening.

### Correct the mistakes.

- This time tomorrow, John is lying on the beach.
- Peter will help you when he will have finished his dinner.
- Shall you do the shopping for me, please?
- Sarah will finish decorating the Christmas tree by midnight.
- 5 Where do you spend your holidays this summer?
- I was turning on the heating. It's cold in here.
- The film has started at half past six.
- Stop that noise or I'm going to take your toy away.
- Moira can type these reports as soon as she will come back from her lunch break.
- 10 Perhaps the Jacksons have visited us tonight.
- By the end of the year, Mrs Evans will be teaching for thirty years.
- 12 Jennifer will move to her new flat on Saturday. She has already arranged it.

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### Answer the following questions about yourself.

- 1 What are you doing at the weekend?
- 2 How long will you have been studying English by the end of this term?
- 3 How much money will you have saved by the summer?
- 4 What will you be doing this time next week?
- 5 What do you think life will be like in the future?
- 6 Where are you going next summer?
- What will you have done by the end of today?
- 8 How many meals will you have eaten by the end of today?

### **Prepositions**

ask **about** sth borrow sth **from** sb explain sth to sb ask sb for sth engaged to sb interested in sth but engaged in sth invite sb to a place married to sb laugh at sb/sth brilliant/good/bad at sth listen to sb/sth but weak in look at sb/sth

### Fill in the correct preposition.

1 I'm not interested ... in ... sports. 2 Did you ask Katie ...... Joe's new address? 3 Stuart borrowed a suit ...... Andrew for the wedding. 4 I wish I was brilliant ..... English. 5 How can I explain this mess ..... my parents? 6 She wanted to invite Adam ...... her house for dinner, but she didn't know what to cook. 7 The boys laughed ...... their teacher when he tripped. 8 You should listen ...... your parents' advice. 9 We all looked ...... the sky as it started to rain. 10 Tom is married ...... Nicole. 11 James is good ...... Maths, but weak ..... History. 12 He asked ...... her husband's health. 13 Mary is engaged ...... conversation. It would

### **Phrasal Verbs**

carry on (with): continue

be rude to interrupt.

do, complete sth carry out:

hold back: contain one's emotions

hold on: wait hold up: 1) delay

2) rob a place

## Fill in the correct particle.

- 1 Could you hold ...on... a moment, please? There is someone at the door.
- 2 Martin couldn't hold ...... his tears. He was so upset.
- 3 The doctors carried ...... tests on the patient.
- 4 Carry ...... the exercise until I come back.
- 5 The robbers held ...... a bank and escaped with lots of money.
- 6 We were held ..... because there had been a car accident in the city centre.