

FUTURE TIME

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- Future Simple
- Future Continuous
- Be going to
- Future Perfect Simple

Future Simple - will

- ❖ The phone is ringing; I'll **answer** it.
 - On the spot decision
- ❖ One day, I'll **learn** to ski.
 - Future prediction – not certain
- ❖ I'll **help** you carry these bags.
 - Offer
- ❖ I promise I'll **call** you as soon as I get there.
 - Promise
- ❖ **Will you open** the window please?
 - Request
- ❖ We can try, but **it won't be** easy.
 - Warning / Threat
- ❖ Do you think **she'll come** to the party?
 - After certain verbs (think, believe, hope, know etc)

Be going to

- ❖ They're **going to spend** their holiday in London.
 - Future plans / intentions
- ❖ It's raining hard; you're **going to get** wet.
 - prediction based on evidence

Time expressions

- Tomorrow
- Next week / month etc.
- This month/year etc.
- Soon
- Later
- Before long
- At the weekend

Future Continuous

Form:

Will be + -ing

e.g. She will be waiting when we arrive.

Will she be waiting when we arrive?

She won't be waiting when we arrive.

Future Continuous

Use:

- ❖ This time tomorrow we will be flying to Paris
 - Action in progress at a specific time in the future
- ❖ On Saturday afternoon, the boys will be playing football, as usual.
 - Future actions – part of a routine
- ❖ Will you be driving into the town centre later?
 - Polite request about someone's plans

Future Continuous

Time Expressions

This time tomorrow / next week

On Monday

Tomorrow

Tonight

At the weekend

Next week

This month

Future Perfect

Form:

Will + have + past participle

e.g. They will have finished the test by 11 a.m.

Will they have finished the test by 11 a.m. ?

They won't have finished the test by 11 a.m.

Future Perfect

Use:

- ❖ By the end of next month the students **will have written** the term test.
- Action completed at a specific point in the future.
- ❖ You can go out with your friends when **you have done** your homework.
- After time expressions to refer to completed actions in the future use the present perfect simple instead.

Future Perfect

Time expressions:

by tomorrow

by the end of the day / next month/ year etc.

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