

Future tenses

- Future Simple (will+inf.)
- Future Continuous
- Future Perfect
- To be going to+inf.
- Present Continuous
- Present Simple

Future Simple(will+inf.)

1. A sudden/on-the-spot decision

e.g. –I feel so tired.

I **will take** a break.

2. Prediction based on someone's opinion

e.g. I am sure you **will enter** the University!

3. Promises

e.g. I promise I **will learn** this poem.

4. Offers/requests

e.g. **Will** you **come** to my party? (offer)

Will you **help** me with my homework? (request)

Future Continuous

1. Actions which will be in progress at a stated future time

e.g. This time next week I **will be playing** football.

Future Perfect

1. Actions which will be finished before a stated future time

e.g. She **will have written** her essay by 7 p.m.

Time expressions: before, by, by the time, until/till

Time words

1. **The Future Simple is not used after** *while, before, until, as soon as, after, if, by the time, as*. Use **the Present Simple or the Present Perfect** instead
e.g. I will go out *after* I **finish** my homework.
2. **When** (at what time) can be used followed by **the Future Simple**
e.g. **When will** you **go** to the country? (when- question word)
3. **When** (at the time) is followed by **the Present Simple**
e.g. I will call you **when** I **finish** work. (when – time word)

To be going to+inf.

1. Intention, something planned before

e.g. When I finish school, I **am going** to enter the University.

2. Prediction based on what you see now

e.g. Look! The baby **is going** to fall!

Present Continuous

1. Personal plans/fixed arrangements in the near future

e.g. – What are you doing next Sunday?

- I **am playing** chess with my friends.

Present Simple

1. Timetable, TV programme

e.g. The film **starts** at 8 p.m.

The bus **arrives** at 6 a.m.

Exercise

1. The train _____ (to arrive) at 12:30.
2. Wait! I _____ (to drive) you to the station.
3. The English lesson _____ (to start) at 8:45.
4. I _____ (to see) my mother in April.
5. Look at the clouds – it _____ (to rain) in a few minutes.
6. You're carrying too much. I _____ (to open) the door for you.
7. After you _____ (to take) a nap, you _____ (to feel) a lot better
8. This time next week I _____ (ski) in Switzerland!
9. Now I _____ (to check) my answers