



## Presentation

### Future continuous

Use **will be + ing** to talk about an action that you know or think will be in progress at a certain point in time, or during a certain period of time, in the future.

*This time tonight, I'll be celebrating with my friends!*  
(= point in time)

*Next week, I'll be lying in the sun.* (= period of time)

### Future perfect simple

Use **will have + past participle** to talk about an action that is going to be completed at or before a given time in the future.

*Just two more hours to go and, I'll have finished the last exam of my whole life!*

**TIP** You often use the future perfect simple with expressions using **by**:

*I'll have finished all my exams by the end of the week.*

*I'll have finished work by five o'clock.*

### Future perfect continuous

Use **will have been + -ing** to talk about an action that is going to be in progress at some time *before and/or until* a given time in the future. It emphasises the fact that the action will take place over *an extended period of time*.

*At the end of this month, I'll have been working here for 35 years!*

*By ten o'clock tomorrow, we'll have been travelling for 24 hours.*

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Future continuous	Future perfect	Future perfect continuous
<i>I'll be studying for my exams all weekend.</i>	<i>We'll have finished the exam by 12 p.m.</i>	<i>We'll have been doing exams all week.</i>
<i>I won't be going out at all.</i>	<i>We won't have finished until 12 p.m.</i>	<i>We won't have been doing exams all week.</i>
<i>What will you be studying?</i>	<i>Will you have finished by 12 p.m.?</i>	<i>Will you have been doing exams all week?</i>

**1a** Complete the text using the future continuous form of the verb in brackets. Then listen and check.

- 1 Good morning Ladies and Gentlemen. This is flight LH344 from Berlin to New York's John F Kennedy airport. We <sup>1</sup> ..... (take) off shortly so please fasten your seatbelts.
- 2 We <sup>2</sup> ..... (fly) at a speed of 885 kilometres per hour and at a height of over 10,000 metres. We <sup>3</sup> ..... (land) in New York in about ten hours, so sit back and enjoy the flight.
- 3 In a few minutes, our staff <sup>4</sup> ..... (serve) a hot lunch. After lunch, we <sup>5</sup> ..... (start) our duty-free service when we <sup>6</sup> ..... (sell) perfumes and other gift items.



**1b** Complete the text using the future perfect simple form of the verbs in brackets.

By this time next week, we <sup>1</sup> ..... (cross) the whole of Australia. We <sup>2</sup> ..... (drive) more than 2,000 miles, we <sup>3</sup> ..... (sleep) under the stars, we <sup>4</sup> ..... (see) the sun set over Uluru, we <sup>5</sup> ..... (visit) the famous town of Alice Springs, and we <sup>6</sup> ..... (arrive) at our final destination – Darwin – on the tropical north coast.



**1c** Complete the dialogue using the future perfect continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

- A: When we've finished our exams, we'll be exhausted. We <sup>1</sup> ..... (work) really hard for weeks. We <sup>2</sup> ..... (not/get) enough sleep, we <sup>3</sup> ..... (not/eat) properly ...
- B: Yes, but just think how you'll be feeling afterwards. You'll be a new person!



**2** Choose the correct form of the verb.

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| <p>1 A: Will you be in the office tomorrow?<br/>B: I'll <i>be travelling</i> / <i>have travelled</i> all day, but you can call me on my mobile.</p> <p>2 A: I promise you we'll <i>be finishing</i> / <i>have finished</i> it by midday tomorrow.<br/>B: I should hope so. You'll <i>be working</i> / <i>have been working</i> on it for over a week!</p> | <p>3 A: How long have you been here? A year and a half?<br/>B: No, longer. We'll <i>be living</i> / <i>have been living</i> here for three years in May.</p> <p>4 A: Will you <i>be seeing</i> / <i>have seen</i> Patricia this afternoon?<br/>B: No, sorry. I won't <i>be going</i> / <i>have gone</i> to the sports centre this afternoon.</p> |
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**3** Complete these sentences so that they are true for you.

- 1 This time tomorrow, I'll be .....
- 2 By this time next week, I'll have .....
- 3 By the end of the weekend, I'll be feeling ..... because I'll have been .....