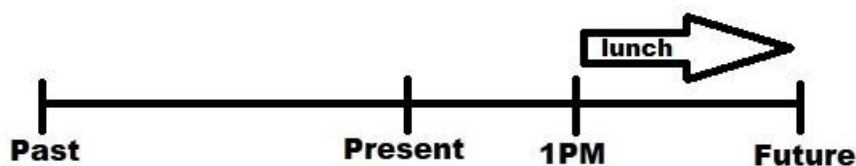


Future Continuous

Future continuous (also referred to as future progressive) indicates that an event will take place in the future at a specific time, and that it will take some time to complete:


Eg. "We *will be having* lunch at 1pm" (lunch will start at 1pm, and it will not happen in an instant).

Future continuous is formed using *will be+verb+ing*.



1. Complete the sentences below with any appropriate verb in the future continuous.

- At 8pm tomorrow I *will be having* dinner with my parents.
- My boss *will be meeting* the new clients on Thursday.
- It's a small new company, but by this time next year they *will be making* a lot of money.
- My father *will be cleaning* the house all day tomorrow.
- The company *will be hiring* people for the new positions next year, but for now we're not looking for anyone.
- The plane *will be landing* in an hour or so.
- By this time next month I *will be lying* on a beach in Hawaii sipping on cocktails.

 2. Make your own future continuous sentences by saying what you or someone you know will be doing at these future times.

a) *Tomorrow at 12pm* E.g. "Tomorrow at 12pm I'll be visiting my parents"

b) *In a few months*

c) *This time next month*

d) *A few years from now*


e) *Next Saturday*

f) *This Christmas*

Future Continuous is often used with a present tense (present simple or present continuous) to indicate that two activities will take place at the same time in the future.

Eg. "*I'll be sleeping when she arrives, so wake me up.*"

"He'll be sitting at a bar somewhere while you're cleaning up his mess."

 3. Complete the following sentences with either future continuous or a present tense. Every sentence should contain one of each.

a) I *will be making* (make) dinner when you *get* (get) home,

b) Clyde *will be waiting* (wait) outside while Bonnie *robs/is robbing* (rob) the bank.

c) I *will be earning* (earn) millions while you *are* (be) stuck in this dead-end job!

d) While you *'re taking/take* (take) a shower, I *will be getting* ready(get) ready.

e) He **will be learning** (learn) to drive by the time his father **gets**(get) out of prison.

f) In a few years time my son **will be working** (work) while I **sit/am sitting**(sit) at home, happily retired.

Future continuous is used for events that will take some time to complete. If an event has no duration, we use future simple (will+verb).

Eg. He'll be riding the bus home in a few hours. (the bus ride has a duration, future continuous)

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I'll take out the trash tomorrow. (taking out the trash has no duration, future simple)



4. Look at Rachel's schedule and make 6 sentences about her week with either future simple or future continuous.

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs		Fri	Sat	Sun
Morning	breakfast with Claire 10	volleyball 9am		take medication		start new job!!!		
Afternoon	pick up kids 4:30		meet boss 2:00	clean out office			book hotel	
Evening		send resignation letter		call Mum and Dad 8pm		drop off car at mechanic		Movie nig with kids

E.g. "She'll be meeting her boss at 2pm on Wednesday."

She'll be having breakfast at 10 on Monday She'll pick her kids up at 4:30 on Monday

She'll be playing volleyball at 9am on Tuesday She'll send her resignation letter on Tuesday evening

She'll be meeting her boss on Wednesday at 2 She'll take her medication on Thursday morning

She'll be cleaning out her office on Thursday afternoon She'll be calling her parents at 8pm on Thursday

She'll start her new job on Friday morning She'll drop her car off at the mechanic on Friday evening

She'll book a hotel on Saturday afternoon She'll be watching a movie with her kids on Sunday evening