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General Intermediate

Homework - Unit 8: Is it Future
friendly?



Recognizing tenses

1. Read the text. Complete the chart with the future verb forms in italics.

prediction with will (x4)

prediction with won't (x4)

prediction with going to (x2)

prediction with going to (x1)

it's going to mean

intention with going to (x1)

arrangement with Present Continuous (x1)

possibility with may (x1)

possibility with might (x2)

possibility with could (x3)

Future Foods

The world's population continues to grow, and *it's going to mean* higher food prices for us all in future. Some experts think the price of meat *might double* in the next ten years, which *will make* it too expensive for most people, so what *will they eat* instead? What *might a typical meal look like* in 20 year's time?

Insects *will certainly be* a part of the answer. They're already popular in many parts of the world, and they *will become* an important part of all our diets, because they can provide the same protein as meat. But don't worry, you *won't have to see* bugs on your plate—insects such as crickets and grasshoppers can be turned into burgers, so you *won't even notice* you're eating them.

Some people *may still find* the idea of eating insects too difficult, and a more popular alternative for them *could be* meat that's grown in a laboratory. Professor Mark Post leads a Dutch team working on lab-grown meat and thinks most people *won't realize* his burgers aren't made from real meat.

And what about some vegetables to go with all these burgers? Well, seaweed *could become* the world's biggest vegetables crop. It's the fastest growing plant on Earth, and because it can be grown in the sea, we *won't need* to worry about finding enough land to grow it on.

Predictions

2. Write the underlined sentences, using *will* and the prompts.

1. You've been studying hard.
I / sure / you / pass / exams.
I'm sure you'll pass your exams.
2. That was a terrible interview!
I / not / think / they / offer me the job.
3. You're going to Hollywood!
Maybe / you / see someone famous!
4. I'm not happy with the project.
I / not / think / it / work.
5. You're going to see the new film?
I / sure / you / not / like it. It's so violent!
6. I'll have a meal ready for you.
I expect you / be / hungry after your journey.
7. I'm so exhausted.
I think / sleep well tonight.
8. I'll ask my dad if I can stay out late.
I / not / suppose / he / say yes, though.

Questions

3. Write questions with *will* and the prompts in brackets.

1. So, you're going on holiday!
(When / be back?)
When will you be back?
2. Your colleague's off sick and you have to do your work and his?
(How / manage?)
_____?
3. The concert finishes at 11.30 and the last bus goes at 11.00.
(How / we / get home?)
_____?
4. So, you're going home after five years living in France.
(What / miss?)
_____?
5. So, you've finished all your exams.
(When / get / results?)
_____?

Negatives

4. Use negatives with *won't* to express the same idea.

1. I'll pass my interview.
I won't fail my interview.
2. Obviously, Argentina will win against Portugal.
_____.
3. They'll be on time.
_____.
4. She'll refuse the job offer.
_____.
5. He'll remember your birthday.
_____.

Offering to help

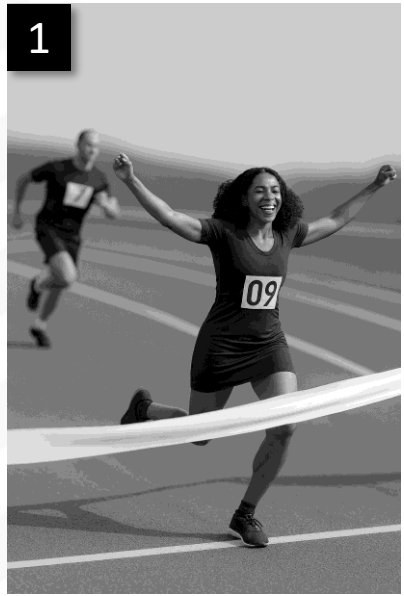
5. Match the lines in A with the offers of help in B.

A	B
1. What if I forget to take my passport?!	a. I'll open a window.
2. My car's broken down.	b. Don't worry, I'll remind you.
3. You go – I need to finish this work.	c. Don't worry, I'll lend you some.
4. It's so hot in here!	d. We'll give you a push to the garage.
5. My train leaves in 10 minutes!	e. I'll drive you to the station.
6. I'm really hungry!	f. I'll see who it is.
7. There's someone at the door.	g. I'll make you something to eat.
8. I don't have enough money on me.	h. It's OK, I'll wait for you.

going to for predictions

What's going to happen?

6. Look at the pictures. Write what is going to happen.



She's going to win.



They _____.



She _____.



He _____.



She _____.



They _____.

Planned or spontaneous?

7. Complete the conversations with *will* or *going to* and the verb in brackets.

1. **A:** Why are you wearing those old clothes?
B: Because I'm going to paint (paint) the front door.
2. **A:** Your exams are in two weeks' time. When _____ you _____ (start) revising for them?
B: It's OK, I've got a revision plan, and I _____ (do) some tonight.
A: But you said you were going out tonight.
B: Oh, yeah... Erm, I _____ (start) tomorrow night, then.
3. **A:** I've got a headache. Have you got any Ibuprofen?
B: Yes, they're in the bathroom. I _____ (get) you some.
4. **A:** My new boyfriend's coming round for lunch today!
B: Oooh! What _____ you _____ (cook)?
A: I _____ (make) a homemade pasta. I _____ (let) you know how it goes.
5. **A:** Drive carefully! Let me know when you arrive.
B: I _____ (give) you a ring as soon as I get home.
6. **A:** Why are you making all those sandwiches?
B: Because we _____ (have) a picnic on the beach. Do you want to come?
A: Yes! I _____ (go) and get my swimming costume and towel.
7. **A:** What's the plan? _____ we _____ (eat) out this evening?
B: I don't think I feel like going out. I _____ (get) a takeaway on the way home.
8. **A:** Hey, when _____ you _____ (give) me my electric drill back?
B: Oh, sorry, I'd forgotten about it. I _____ (bring) it round tomorrow.

Present Continuous - Making arrangements

8. Complete the conversations with the *Present Continuous* form of the verbs from below.

bring | make | get | fly | ~~organize~~ | invite | stay | drive | have

Can you keep a secret?

A: Can you keep a secret?

B: Yes, of course. What is it?

C: I 1. 'm organizing a surprise party for Tom's birthday next Saturday!

B: How exciting! Where 2. _____ you _____ it?

A: In the garden at home.

B: And who 3. _____ you _____?

A: Friends and family - even her aunt and uncle from Perth. They 4. _____ down on Friday and they 5. _____ in a hotel so Tom won't know they're here.

B: What about food? Where 6. _____ you that from?

A: It's all arranged. Mio Amore's restaurant 7. _____ all kinds of delicious things over on Saturday afternoon, and their chef 8. _____ a special birthday cake!

B: Oh, so it really is a special birthday?

A: Yes, it's her 50th. And she doesn't know yet, but the weekend after, we 9. _____ first class to Thailand!

B: Awesome! Am I invited to this party?

A: Of course you are! But don't tell anyone!

use | research | buy | introduce | test | build | develop | organize | create | teach

The Future of Transport

Right now, scientists all over the world 1. _____ new solutions for cleaner and safer transport. In Germany, engineers 2. _____ electric cars that can travel more than 600 km on one charge.

In the USA, a company 3. _____ self-driving buses to use in big cities. At the same time, designers in Japan 4. _____ flying taxis that can take people across town in minutes.

Technology companies 5. _____ special apps so passengers can book these vehicles quickly. Meanwhile, governments 6. _____ new rules to keep everything safe.

In many schools, teachers 7. _____ young students about green transport and climate change. Some universities 8. _____ international conferences to share ideas.

At airports, several airlines 9. _____ more eco-friendly planes to reduce pollution. And in many cities, families 10. _____ bicycles and scooters instead of cars to help the planet.

All future forms

9. Complete the text about robotaxis using the future verb forms a–j.

- a. will need
- b. won't be able
- c. will reduce
- d. may cause
- e. won't be possible
- f. could be avoided
- g. might
- h. not going to be able to relax
- i. are launching
- j. won't take

Robotaxis everywhere

By mid-2026, several carmakers 1. _____ nationwide robotaxi services in major cities. Early riders love the convenience, but some say they're 2. _____ during busy commutes because they still want to keep an eye on the road. Experts add that full autonomy on every street 3. _____ until local maps and rules are perfectly aligned.

Regulators predict that better sensors and V2X (vehicle-to-everything) links 4. _____ crashes by more than half, and many of last year's accidents 5. _____ with smarter pedestrian detection. Still, extreme weather 6. _____ unexpected shutdowns, so trips across mountain passes 7. _____ without human support teams.

To keep services reliable, operators 8. _____ frequent software updates and dedicated lanes in the most crowded districts. Rural coverage 9. _____ to match city uptime until more mapping drones finish their work. The industry says the goal is simple: airport-to-hotel rides that 10. _____ longer than a normal taxi, but feel safer and cleaner.

10. Complete the questions for these answers about robotaxis.

- 1. What are carmakers _____ in major cities by mid-2025? – *Nationwide robotaxi services.*
- 2. Why are some passengers _____ completely relaxed during busy commutes? – *Because they feel they still need to watch the road.*
- 3. When _____ full autonomy _____ available everywhere? – *Not until maps and rules are aligned.*
- 4. How much _____ better sensors and V2X links _____ crashes? – *By more than half.*
- 5. What kinds of accidents _____ last year _____ with smarter pedestrian detection? – *Many of them.*
- 6. What _____ operators _____ to keep services reliable? – *Frequent software updates and dedicated lanes.*



Sources of energy

1. Match words from A and B to form energy-related nouns.

A	B
1. wind	a. fuels
2. global	b. reactor
3. solar	c. panel
4. offshore	d. source
5. fusion	e. turbine
6. climate	f. wind farm
7. fossil	g. material
8. radioactive	h. change
9. energy	i. warming

Word building - Prefixes

2. Correct the mistakes with the prefixes in the words in italics.

- 1. Its *unpossible* to do this crossword! - Impossible
- 2. Is 'eat' an *unregular* verb? _____
- 3. You've *disspelt* 'address' again! _____
- 4. It's *unlegal* to smoke in public areas. _____
- 5. She was *inconscious* when the ambulance arrived. _____
- 6. Doing something *misperfectly* is better than doing nothing perfectly. _____

Suffixes

3. Use the correct form of the words in brackets to complete the sentences.

- 1. People wear such _____ clothes in Africa – they look fantastic! (colour)
- 2. I wouldn't trust a _____ car – I want to see a person on control! (drive)
- 3. This skirt is too long – I need to have it _____. (short)
- 4. Most accidents happen because people drive _____. (care)
- 5. You should be an artist – you're so _____! (create)
- 6. Would this hotel be _____ for families with small children? (suit)
- 7. James's had a lot of _____ in his life, but he's still very positive. (unhappy)
- 8. We're going to win 2-0 – that's my _____. (predict)
- 9. I'll throw this raincoat away – it's _____! (use)
- 10. I left that job because I had so many _____ with my boss. (disagree)

Adjective + preposition

4. Complete these sentences using *of* or *with*.

1. I thought I had high pressure, but the doctor says there's nothing wrong _____ it.
2. You must be fed up _____ me complaining about my work — how has your day been?
3. I've always been jealous _____ people who can dance well — I am terrible!
4. I've put a lot of work into this project and I'm really proud _____ it!

5. Choose the correct preposition.

1. I think it was van Gogh who was famous *about/for* painting sunflowers, wasn't it?
2. Sandra's met a really nice guy. I'm really happy *about/for* her.
3. We're very excited *about/for* going to Peru. We're hoping to see the Machu Picchu!
4. We're worried *about/for* Matt starting school — he doesn't seem ready for it.
5. I thanked him so much *about/for* helping me with my homework yesterday.
6. Everyone was happy *about/for* the new restaurant that opened in town.

6. Complete these sentences using *in* or *to*.

1. He was rude ____ the waiter, and everyone noticed it.
2. Are you and Jim interested ____ tennis? I think I can get tickets for Wimbledon!
3. My little sister is really involved ____ drawing animals.
4. You don't look at all similar ____ Mark — it's hard to believe he's your brother!
5. Thank you so much. You've been really kind ____ me.
6. Who's that woman over there dressed ____ black? Could you introduce me to her?

7. Choose the correct preposition.

1. Dam's Square in Amsterdam is always crowded *by/with* tourists.
2. The food was OK, but I wasn't satisfied *of/with* the service.
3. The jury found the defendant guilty *for/of* the crime.
4. It's typical *of/with* Denis to forget your anniversary.
5. Hello, could I speak to the person responsible *for/of* HR, please?
6. **A:** Could you give me directions *in/to* the city centre, please?
B: Oh! I'm sorry, I'm not familiar *of/with* this area myself.

1. Put the words in the conversations in the correct order.

1. **A:** meeting / you / at / 5.30 / a / tomorrow / make / Can / ?
B: is / see / Yes, / you / fine / then / 5.30 / I'll.

_____?

2. **A:** you / Saturday / Are / evening / on / free / ?
B: on / a / with / I'm / Saturday / No, / Helen / meal / having

_____?

3. **A:** for / after / go / work / a / Let's / beer.
B: late / to / but / I'd / work / I'm / today / love / finishing.

4. **A:** could / was / at / tomorrow / if / I / meet / we / wondering / 3.00 / ?
B: afraid / about / for / 3.00 / How / I'm / work / me. / 4.30 / wont / ?

_____?

_____?

5. **A:** tomorrow / don't / Why / a / we / for / morning / tea / go / ?
B: we / idea / say / ten / Good / half / Shall / ?

_____?

_____?

6. **A:** together / afternoon / could / Saturday / Maybe / on / get / we / ?
B: no / me / Sorry, / good / the / for / afternoons

_____?

1. Emma is discussing her future with her friend, Sam. Choose the correct answers in the conversation.

FUTURE IMPERFECT?

S: I 1. am/was wondering if we could go to the cinema on Thursday?

E: I 2. 'd love to/ love to, but I'm going to Birmingham.

S: Oh, 3. will you have/are you having another interview for university?

E: Yes, Birmingham's not my first choice, but I 4. 'm going to see/may see what it's like. It might be a 5. suitable/suited back-up.

S: You don't seem very excited 6. for/about it all!

E: Oh, I am really. There are just so many decisions to make, and I know I have to be 7. careful/careless about it all.

S: Well, yes, going to university's getting pretty expensive now, isn't it?

E: You can say that again! I 8. 'm going to take out/I'll take out a student loan, and 9. I could end up/I'm ending up over £50,000 in debt!

S: You must be worried 10. about/for how you'll pay it back.

E: I am! It seems 11. impossible/possible when you think about how much we'll need to save to buy a house or flat in future. And we don't even know that we 12. 'll have/may have jobs, do we? I saw a prediction the other day that 40% of jobs 13. are going to be/are being taken over by machines in the next 20 years.

S: Ah, you'll be OK. You 14. 'll be/'re going to be a fashion designer – machines will never take over from humans in the 15. creative/creating world.

E: We 16. 'll see/'re going to see. Anyway, enough feeling sorry about/for myself. Come on, I 17. 'm going to buy/I'll buy you a drink while I still have enough money!