



GRAMMAR: FUTURE PERFECT SIMPLE AND FUTURE CONTINUOUS

FUTURE PERFECT SIMPLE

1. Form of the future perfect simple

Will + have + past participle

Remember past participles from the notes on the present perfect.

| Affirmative | Negative | Interrogative |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| I will/ I'll have finished. | I will not/ I won't have finished. | Will I have finished? |
| You will have finished. | You will not have finished. | Will you have finished? -> Yes, I will./ No, I won't. |
| He/ She/ It will have finished. | He/ She/ It will not have finished. | Will she/ he/ it have finished? |
| We will have finished. | We will not have finished. | Will we have finished? |
| You will have finished. | You will not have finished. | Will you have finished? |
| They will have finished. | They will not have finished. | Will they have finished? |

Note

Will = 'll for all the subject pronouns

Will not = won't for all the subject pronouns

2. Usage of the future perfect simple



- The future perfect simple shows **an event that will be finished before a specific time in the future**, that is to say, this tense refers to **completed actions at a certain time in the future**. It is usually accompanied by the preposition *by*.

Examples

- By the end of this weekend, **I will have revised** my lessons.
- By the time his wife arrives home, **he will have prepared** dinner.
- **I won't have finished** this task by the end of June.
- **Will you have finished** your homework by the time I arrive home?

FUTURE CONTINUOUS

1. Form of the future continuous

Will + be + verb -ing

| Affirmative | Negative | Interrogative |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| I will/ I'll be watching TV. | I will not/ I won't be watching TV. | Will I be watching TV? |
| You will be watching TV. | You will not be watching TV. | Will you be watching TV? -> Yes, I will./ No, I won't. |
| He/ She/ It will be watching TV. | He/ She/ It will not be watching TV. | Will she/ he/ it be watching TV? |
| We will be watching TV. | We will not be watching TV. | Will we be watching TV? |
| You will be watching TV. | You will not be watching TV. | Will you be watching TV? |
| They will be watching TV. | They will not be watching TV. | Will they be watching TV? |

Note

Will = 'll for all the subject pronouns

Will not = **won't** for all the subject pronouns

2. Usage of the future continuous

- The future continuous is used to indicate **an action that will be taking place at some point in the future**, that is to say, it is used for **actions in progress in the future**.

Examples

- I **will be refereeing** a football match next Sunday afternoon.
- We **will be working** on our project tomorrow morning.
- When you arrive home, **I won't be sleeping**.
- **Will you be leaving** in a few minutes?

WORKSHEET

1) Write the verbs in brackets in the correct form by using the future perfect simple.

- By 9 o'clock, we..... (finish) our homework.
- They..... (leave) the classroom by the end of the hour.

- c. We..... (go) home by next week.
- d. She..... (return) from the excursion by 6 o'clock.
- e. (buy/ he) the new house by October?
- f. The sun..... (not/ rise) by 4 o'clock.
- g. (you/ do) the shopping by 3 o'clock?

2) Put the verbs into the correct form by using the future continuous tense.

- a. Tomorrow morning, we..... (work)
- b. This time next week, we..... (have) a party.
- c. At midnight, I..... (sleep)
- d. This evening, we..... (watch) a talk show.
- e. They..... (not/do) their homework this afternoon.
- f. (walk/ you) home this afternoon?
- g. He..... (not/draw) tomorrow morning

3) Fill in the gaps with a suitable form of the future perfect simple or future continuous.

- a. (you/ retire) by the time you're 60?
- b. Next year,..... (study) Maths at University.
- c. Hurry up! The film..... (start) soon.
- d. There won't be anyone in the office. Everyone..... (go) home.
- e. Julie..... (not work) this time next week. She'll be on holiday!
- f. I'm only halfway through my homework. I..... (not finish) it before the teacher arrives.
- g. Do you think that Aaron..... (fix) the car by tomorrow?
- h. Don't phone me before 8 o'clock, we..... (have) dinner.
- i. At midnight on Monday, I..... (dance) at the party.
- j. By tomorrow, at this same time, Sandra..... (go) to her English class.
- k. When I turn 30, I (have) six children.
- l. At 6 pm, Sarah..... (do) her yoga class.
- m. Sam is one month pregnant. In nine more months, she..... (have) her new baby!