

## Future perfect simple and future continuous

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**Use**  
 We use the future perfect simple to talk about an activity that will be finished by a specific time in the future.  
*They'll have finished building the bridge by next January.*  
 We use the future continuous to talk about an activity that will be in progress at a specific time in the future.  
*This time next week I'll be flying to Rome.*

**Form**  
 Future perfect simple: we use *will + have + past participle*.  
*I'll have finished my homework in an hour.*  
 Future continuous: we use *will + be + the -ing form of the verb*.  
*In an hour, I'll be getting ready to go out.*

**1 Complete the sentences. Use the correct form of the future perfect simple or the future continuous.**

- 1 This time next week we ..... (ski) in the French Alps.
- 2 Greg is taking a year off to travel. By the end of next year he ..... (visit) seven countries.
- 3 'What will you be doing this time tomorrow?' 'I ..... (take) my English exam.'
- 4 Don't come round at six o'clock. I ..... (still / do) my homework. If you want to come round at seven, you can. I ..... (finish) it by then.
- 5 Jill has accepted a job abroad. This time next month she ..... (work) in Paris.
- 6 Next year, I ..... (live) in this house for ten years.

**2 Complete the text. Use the correct form of the future perfect simple or the future continuous.**

What <sup>1</sup> ..... we ..... (do) in a hundred years' time? According to NASA Scientists we <sup>2</sup> ..... (travel) in outer space. By the twenty-second century man <sup>3</sup> ..... (develop) a quick way of getting to the stars, and the first long-distance spaceships <sup>4</sup> ..... (leave) Earth.

However, these spaceships won't be the first to explore outer space. Other spaceships <sup>5</sup> ..... (already / voyage) into the unknown. In fact, the first unmanned ship, *Pioneer 10*, was launched in 1972. *Pioneer 10* will be in space for thousands of years, and in 32,000 years' time it will pass a star called Ross 248.

By the time *Pioneer 10* gets there, man <sup>6</sup> ..... (already / reach) Ross 248 and <sup>7</sup> ..... (colonize) the planets around it. What <sup>8</sup> ..... these humans ..... (do) when *Pioneer 10* passes by? Will they remember that it was the first spaceship to venture into outer space?

**3 Complete the sentences with your own ideas.**

- 1 This time tomorrow I'll be .....
- 2 By next weekend I'll have .....
- 3 In six months' time I'll be .....
- 4 By the end of this year I'll have .....
- 5 In three years' time I'll be .....