

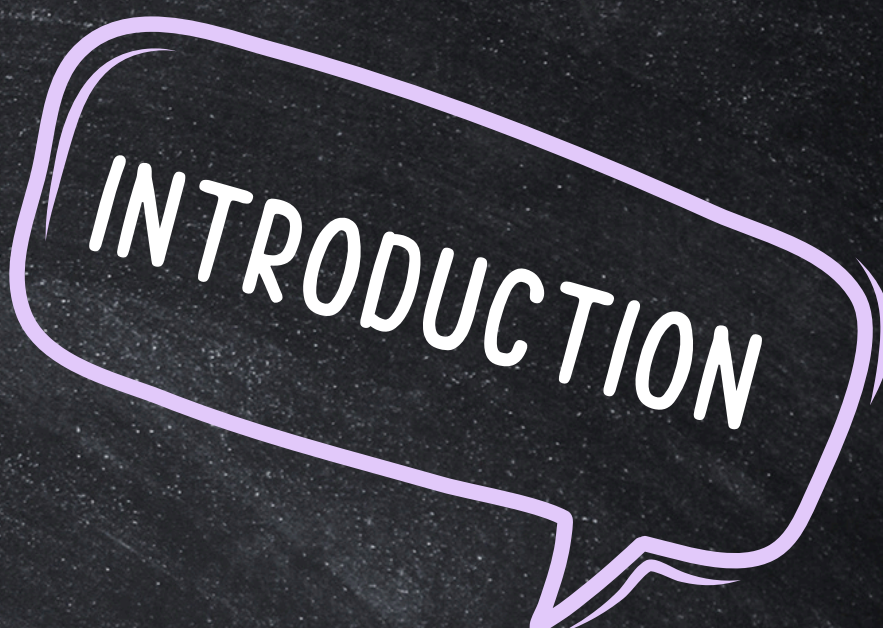
GRAMMAR

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FUTURE FORMS



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INTRODUCTION

IN ENGLISH, WE USE DIFFERENT VERB FORMS TO TALK ABOUT THE FUTURE DEPENDING ON:

- INTENTION
- PLANNING
- PREDICTION
- DURATION
- WHETHER SOMETHING IS SCHEDULED OR IN PROGRESS

THIS LESSON COVERS:

- FUTURE SIMPLE (WILL)
 - FUTURE CONTINUOUS
 - FUTURE PERFECT
 - FUTURE PERFECT CONTINUOUS
 - PRESENT SIMPLE WITH FUTURE MEANING
 - PRESENT CONTINUOUS WITH FUTURE MEANING
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FUTURE SIMPLE

EXPLANATION:

THE FUTURE SIMPLE IS USED TO TALK ABOUT DECISIONS MADE AT THE MOMENT OF SPEAKING, PREDICTIONS BASED ON OPINION, PROMISES, OFFERS, AND FUTURE FACTS.

USES:

- INSTANT DECISIONS: "I'M TIRED. I'LL GO TO BED."
- PROMISES AND OFFERS: "I'LL HELP YOU."
- PREDICTIONS BASED ON OPINION: "I THINK IT WILL RAIN."
- FUTURE FACTS: "THE SUN WILL RISE AT 6 A.M."

TIME EXPRESSION WORDS:

TOMORROW, NEXT WEEK, SOON, IN THE FUTURE, ONE DAY, PROBABLY, I THINK, I'M SURE



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GRAMMAR STRUCTURE:

POSITIVE:

SUBJECT + WILL + BASE VERB

EXAMPLE: SHE WILL START A NEW JOB NEXT MONTH.

NEGATIVE:

SUBJECT + WILL NOT (WON'T) + BASE VERB

EXAMPLE: THEY WON'T AGREE WITH THE DECISION.

QUESTION:

WILL + SUBJECT + BASE VERB?

EXAMPLE: WILL YOU CALL ME LATER?

FUTURE SIMPLE





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EXPLANATION:

THE FUTURE CONTINUOUS DESCRIBES ACTIONS THAT WILL BE IN PROGRESS AT A SPECIFIC TIME IN THE FUTURE. IT OFTEN EMPHASISES DURATION OR AN ACTION HAPPENING AROUND A TIME.

USES:

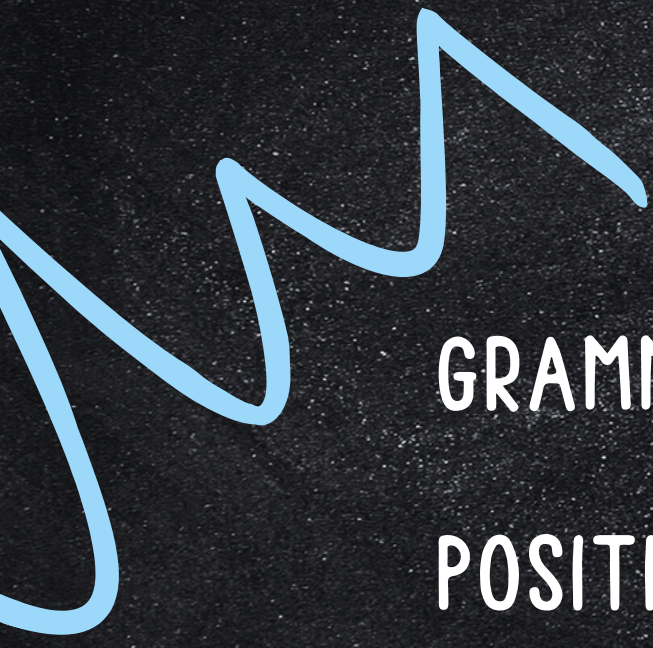
- ACTION IN PROGRESS AT A FUTURE TIME: "AT 8 P.M., I'LL BE STUDYING."
- POLITE QUESTIONS ABOUT PLANS: "WILL YOU BE USING THE CAR TONIGHT?"
- BACKGROUND ACTIONS IN THE FUTURE
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TIME EXPRESSION WORDS:

AT THIS TIME TOMORROW, AT 8 P.M., WHILE, WHEN, THIS TIME NEXT WEEK

FUTURE CONTINUOUS





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GRAMMAR STRUCTURE:

POSITIVE:

SUBJECT + WILL BE + VERB-ING

EXAMPLE: SHE WILL BE WORKING LATE TONIGHT.

NEGATIVE:

SUBJECT + WILL NOT BE + VERB-ING

EXAMPLE: WE WON'T BE WAITING FOR LONG.

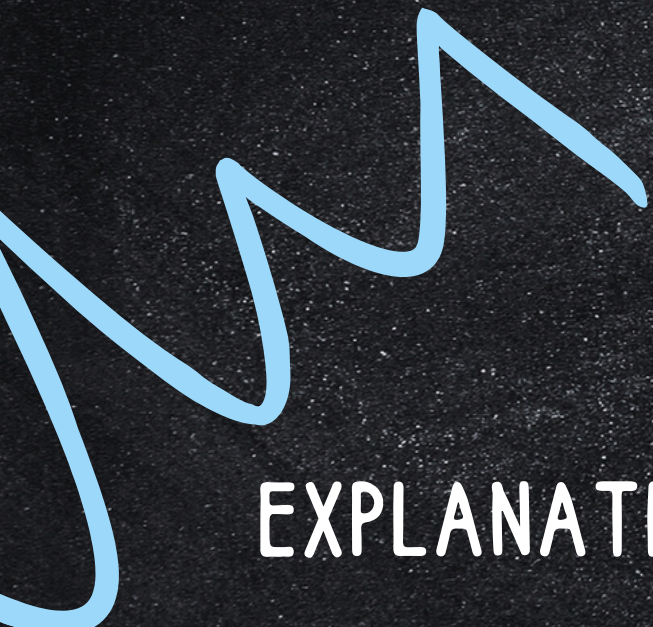
QUESTION:

WILL + SUBJECT + BE + VERB-ING?

EXAMPLE: WILL THEY BE TRAVELING THIS WEEKEND?

FUTURE CONTINUOUS





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EXPLANATION:

THE FUTURE PERFECT IS USED TO SHOW THAT AN ACTION WILL BE COMPLETED BEFORE A SPECIFIC TIME IN THE FUTURE.

USES:

- ACTIONS COMPLETED BEFORE A FUTURE MOMENT: "I'LL HAVE FINISHED BY 6."
- EMPHASISING RESULTS IN THE FUTURE

TIME EXPRESSION WORDS:

BY, BY THE TIME, BEFORE, IN TWO WEEKS, BY TOMORROW EVENING

FUTURE PERFECT





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GRAMMAR STRUCTURE:

POSITIVE:

SUBJECT + WILL HAVE + PAST PARTICIPLE

EXAMPLE: SHE WILL HAVE COMPLETED THE PROJECT BY FRIDAY.

NEGATIVE:

SUBJECT + WILL NOT HAVE + PAST PARTICIPLE

EXAMPLE: THEY WON'T HAVE ARRIVED BY NOON.

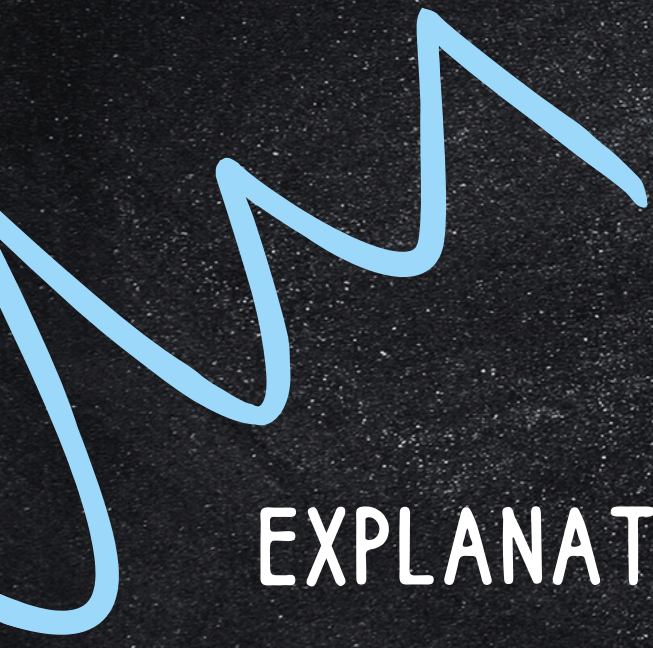
QUESTION:

WILL + SUBJECT + HAVE + PAST PARTICIPLE?

EXAMPLE: WILL YOU HAVE READ THE REPORT BY TOMORROW?

FUTURE PERFECT





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EXPLANATION:

THE FUTURE PERFECT CONTINUOUS FOCUSES ON THE DURATION OF AN ACTION UP TO A CERTAIN POINT IN THE FUTURE.

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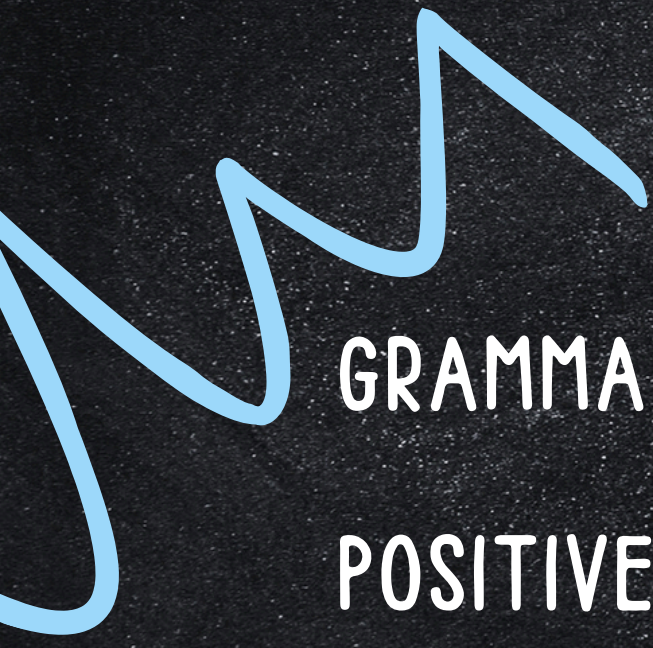
- EMPHASISING HOW LONG SOMETHING WILL HAVE BEEN HAPPENING. "BY JULY, I'LL HAVE BEEN WORKING HERE FOR TEN YEARS."
- SHOWING CAUSE OR DURATION IN THE FUTURE

TIME EXPRESSION WORDS:

FOR, SINCE, BY THE TIME, BY NEXT YEAR

FUTURE PERFECT
CONTINUOUS





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GRAMMAR STRUCTURE:

POSITIVE:

SUBJECT + WILL HAVE BEEN + VERB-ING

EXAMPLE: HE WILL HAVE BEEN STUDYING FOR FIVE HOURS BY MIDNIGHT.

NEGATIVE:

SUBJECT + WILL NOT HAVE BEEN + VERB-ING

EXAMPLE: SHE WON'T HAVE BEEN LIVING HERE LONG BY THEN.

QUESTION:

WILL + SUBJECT + HAVE BEEN + VERB-ING?

EXAMPLE: WILL THEY HAVE BEEN WAITING LONG BY THE TIME WE ARRIVE?

FUTURE PERFECT
CONTINUOUS





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PRESENT SIMPLE WITH
FUTURE MEANING

EXPLANATION:

THE PRESENT SIMPLE IS USED TO TALK ABOUT FUTURE EVENTS THAT ARE PART OF A FIXED SCHEDULE OR TIMETABLE.

USES:

- TIMETABLES AND SCHEDULES: TRANSPORT, CLASSES, PROGRAMS
- OFFICIAL FUTURE EVENTS

TIME EXPRESSION WORDS:

TOMORROW, ON MONDAY, AT 9 A.M., NEXT WEEK (WITH SCHEDULES)





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GRAMMAR STRUCTURE:

POSITIVE:

SUBJECT + PRESENT SIMPLE

EXAMPLE: THE TRAIN LEAVES AT 7 A.M. TOMORROW.

NEGATIVE:

SUBJECT + DO/DOES NOT + BASE VERB

EXAMPLE: THE MEETING DOESN'T START UNTIL 10.

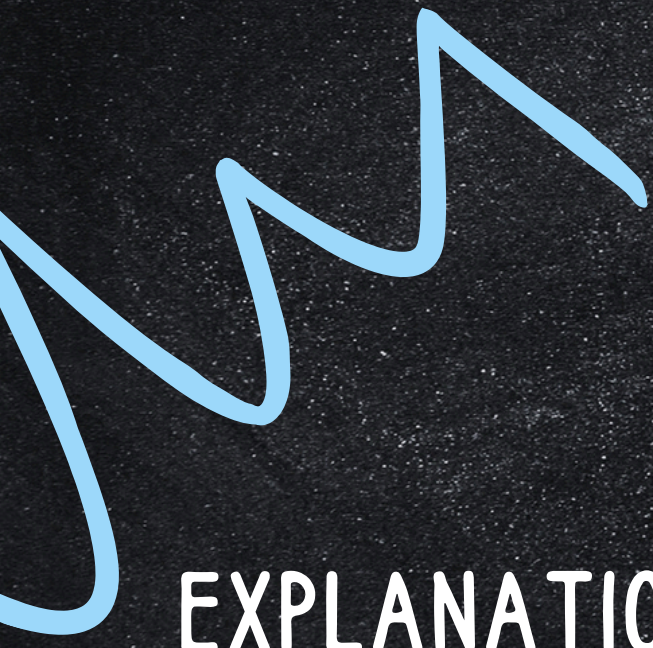
QUESTION:

DO/DOES + SUBJECT + BASE VERB?

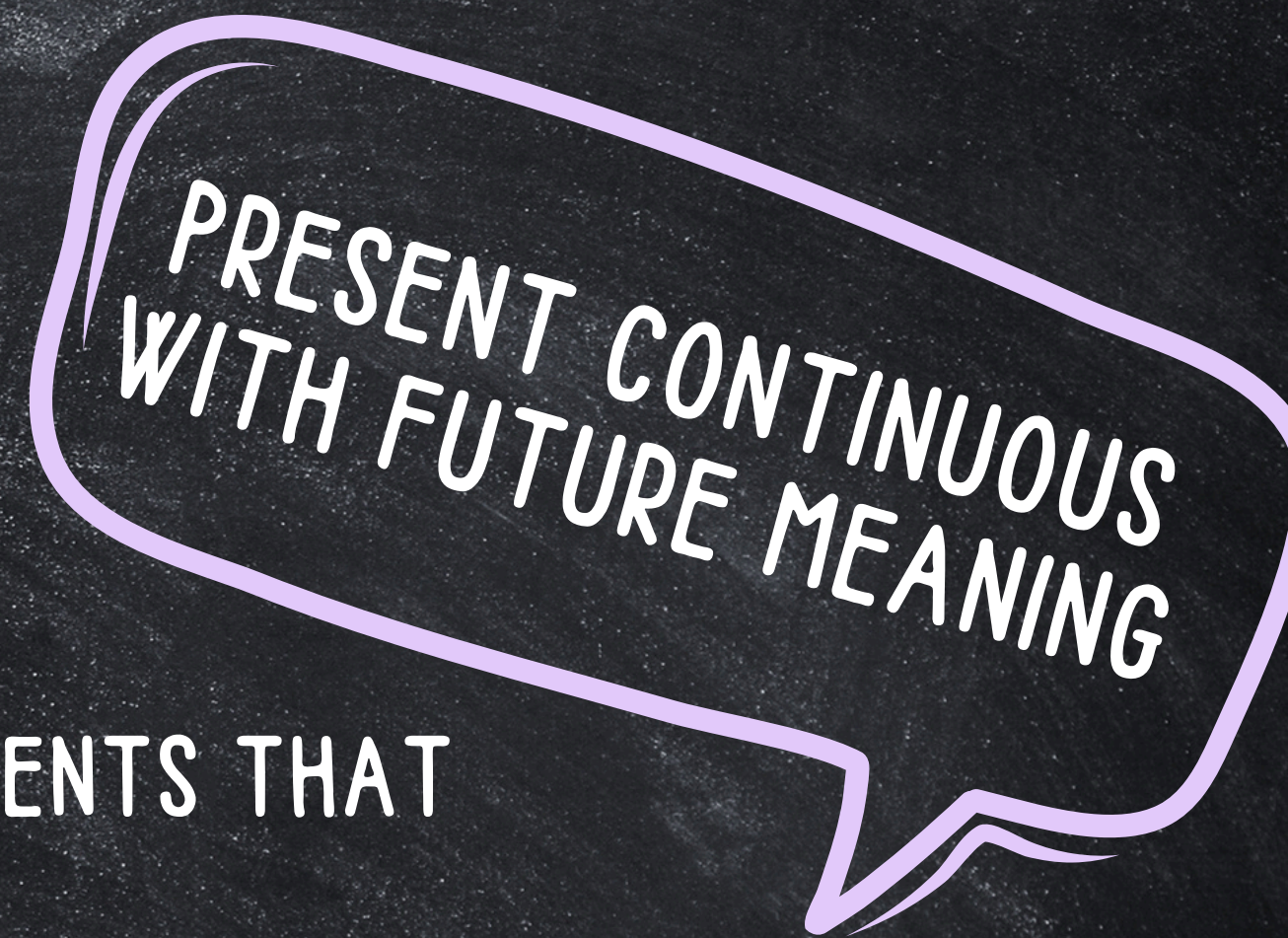
EXAMPLE: DOES THE COURSE FINISH NEXT MONTH?

PRESENT SIMPLE WITH
FUTURE MEANING





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PRESENT CONTINUOUS
WITH FUTURE MEANING

EXPLANATION:

THE PRESENT CONTINUOUS IS USED FOR FUTURE ARRANGEMENTS THAT ARE ALREADY PLANNED AND USUALLY INVOLVE PEOPLE.

USES:

- PERSONAL ARRANGEMENTS: MEETINGS, APPOINTMENTS, SOCIAL PLANS
- CLEAR INTENTION AND PREPARATION

TIME EXPRESSION WORDS:

TONIGHT, TOMORROW, THIS WEEKEND, NEXT WEEK, LATER TODAY





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GRAMMAR STRUCTURE:

POSITIVE:

SUBJECT + AM/IS/ARE + VERB-ING

EXAMPLE: I'M MEETING MY MANAGER TOMORROW.

NEGATIVE:

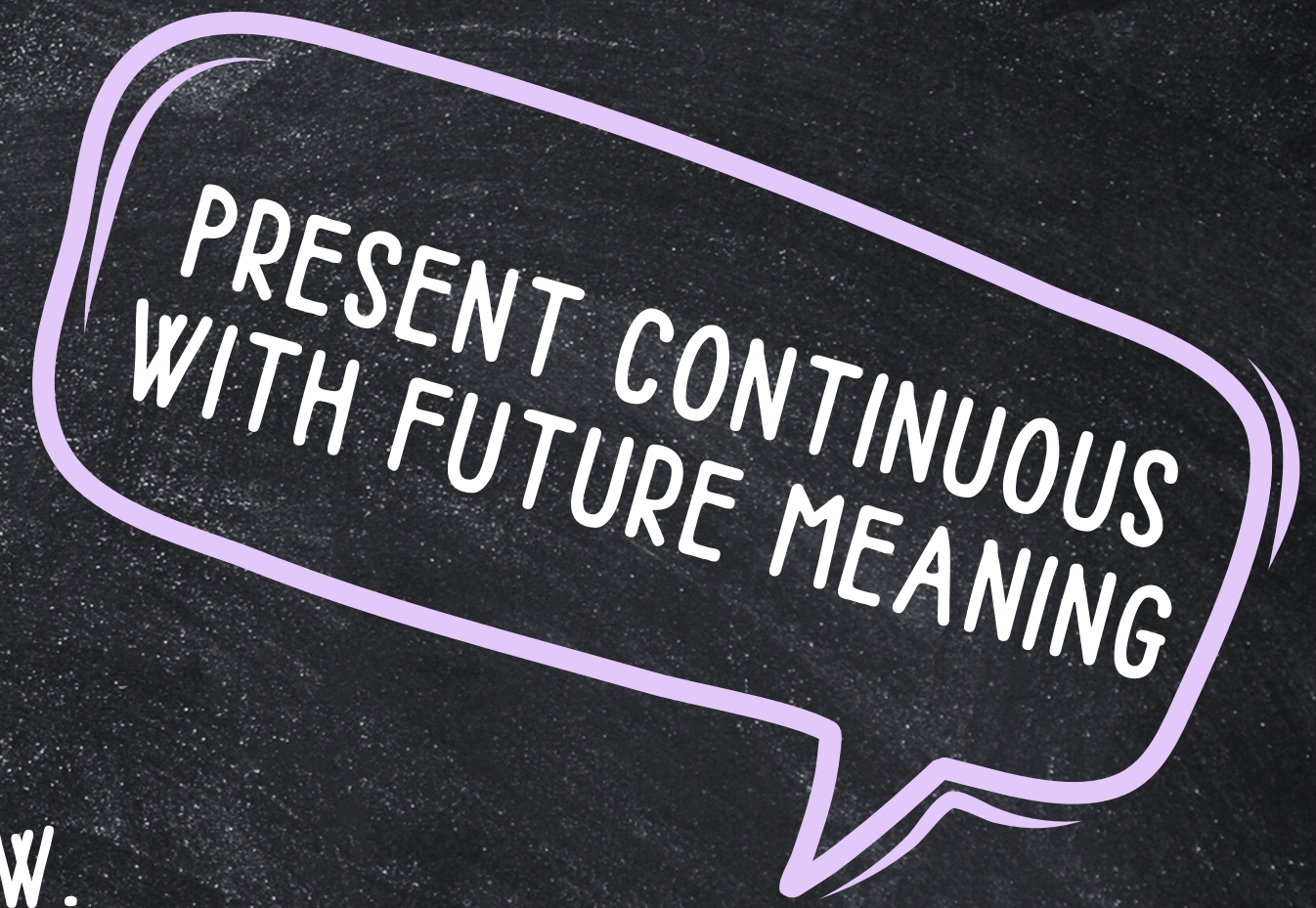
SUBJECT + AM/IS/ARE NOT + VERB-ING

EXAMPLE: THEY AREN'T STAYING HERE NEXT WEEKEND.

QUESTION:

AM/IS/ARE + SUBJECT + VERB-ING?

EXAMPLE: ARE YOU WORKING LATE TONIGHT?



PRESENT CONTINUOUS
WITH FUTURE MEANING





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COMPARISON SUMMARY

- WILL → DECISIONS, PROMISES, PREDICTIONS
- PRESENT CONTINUOUS → ARRANGED PLANS
- PRESENT SIMPLE → TIMETABLES AND SCHEDULES
- FUTURE CONTINUOUS → ACTION IN PROGRESS
- FUTURE PERFECT → COMPLETED ACTION
- FUTURE PERFECT CONTINUOUS → DURATION UP TO A FUTURE POINT



EXERCISE 1

CHOOSE THE CORRECT FORM

1. THIS TIME TOMORROW, I _____ (DRIVE) TO THE AIRPORT.
2. BY NEXT MONTH, SHE _____ (FINISH) HER DEGREE.
3. THE TRAIN _____ (LEAVE) AT 6:45 TOMORROW MORNING.
4. DON'T WORRY, I _____ (HELP) YOU WITH THE PRESENTATION.
5. THEY _____ (NOT / WAIT) FOR US IF WE ARRIVE LATE.





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ANSWER KEY

- THIS TIME TOMORROW, I WILL BE DRIVING TO THE AIRPORT.
- BY NEXT MONTH, SHE WILL HAVE FINISHED HER DEGREE.
- THE TRAIN LEAVES AT 6:45 TOMORROW MORNING.
- DON'T WORRY, I WILL HELP YOU WITH THE PRESENTATION.
- THEY WON'T WAIT FOR US IF WE ARRIVE LATE.



EXERCISE 2

COMPLETE WITH THE CORRECT FUTURE FORM

6. BY THE TIME YOU ARRIVE, WE _____ (HAVE DINNER).
7. AT 9 P.M. TONIGHT, HE _____ (WATCH) THE MATCH.
8. SHE _____ (WORK) HERE FOR TEN YEARS BY JUNE.
9. WE _____ (MEET) THE CLIENTS NEXT FRIDAY.
10. DO YOU THINK PEOPLE _____ (LIVE) ON MARS IN THE FUTURE?



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ANSWER KEY

- BY THE TIME YOU ARRIVE, WE WILL HAVE HAD DINNER.
- AT 9 P.M. TONIGHT, HE WILL BE WATCHING THE MATCH.
- SHE WILL HAVE BEEN WORKING HERE FOR TEN YEARS BY JUNE.
- WE ARE MEETING THE CLIENTS NEXT FRIDAY.
- DO YOU THINK PEOPLE WILL LIVE ON MARS IN THE FUTURE?





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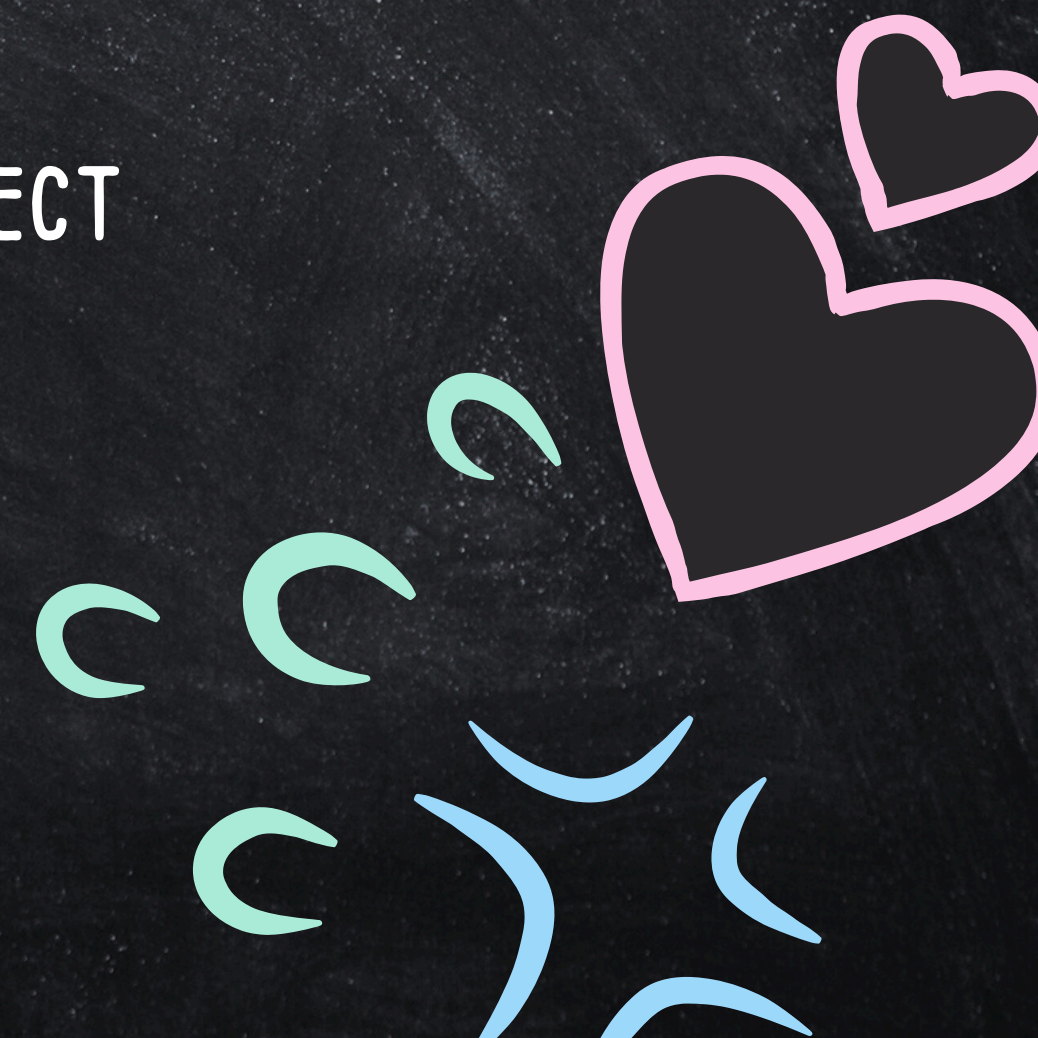
EXERCISE 3

REWRITE THE SENTENCES

11. PLAN TO SEE THE DOCTOR TOMORROW. (PRESENT CONTINUOUS)

12. THE COURSE ENDS ON FRIDAY. (FUTURE MEANING)

13. I STARTED WORKING AT 8 A.M. IT'S NOW 2 P.M. (FUTURE PERFECT CONTINUOUS, BY 6 P.M.)





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ANSWER KEY

- I PLAN TO SEE THE DOCTOR TOMORROW.
- → I'M SEEING THE DOCTOR TOMORROW.
- THE COURSE ENDS ON FRIDAY.
- → THE COURSE ENDS ON FRIDAY.
- [PRESENT SIMPLE ALREADY USED CORRECTLY FOR FUTURE MEANING]
- I STARTED WORKING AT 8 A.M. IT'S NOW 2 P.M. [BY 6 P.M.]
- → BY 6 P.M., I WILL HAVE BEEN WORKING FOR TEN HOURS.





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EXERCISE 4

ERROR CORRECTION

14. THIS TIME NEXT WEEK, I WILL WORK FROM HOME.
15. BY TOMORROW, SHE WILL FINISHING THE REPORT.





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ANSWER KEY

- THIS TIME NEXT WEEK, I WILL WORK FROM HOME.
- → THIS TIME NEXT WEEK, I WILL BE WORKING FROM HOME.
- BY TOMORROW, SHE WILL FINISHING THE REPORT.
- → BY TOMORROW, SHE WILL HAVE FINISHED THE REPORT.



EXERCISE 5

SENTENCE CREATION

16. WRITE A SENTENCE USING FUTURE PERFECT.
 17. WRITE A SENTENCE USING PRESENT SIMPLE WITH FUTURE MEANING.
 18. WRITE A SENTENCE USING FUTURE CONTINUOUS.
 19. WRITE A SENTENCE USING FUTURE PERFECT CONTINUOUS.
 20. WRITE A SENTENCE USING WILL FOR A PROMISE.
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ANSWER KEY

- FUTURE PERFECT:
- → I WILL HAVE COMPLETED THE PROJECT BY FRIDAY.
- PRESENT SIMPLE WITH FUTURE MEANING:
- → THE FLIGHT DEPARTS AT 9 A.M. TOMORROW.
- FUTURE CONTINUOUS:
- → AT THIS TIME TOMORROW, WE WILL BE FLYING TO PARIS.
- FUTURE PERFECT CONTINUOUS:
- → BY NEXT MONTH, SHE WILL HAVE BEEN STUDYING ENGLISH FOR FIVE YEARS.
- WILL FOR A PROMISE:
- → I WILL CALL YOU AS SOON AS I ARRIVE.