

Present Continuous, *be going to* and *will*

1 Choose the correct option.

- 1 **A:** OK, so what's the plan for tonight?
B: *We're meeting / 'll meet* at my house at 7 o'clock.
- 2 **A:** I can't put this tent up.
B: *I'm going to / 'll help* – you need two people to do it.
- 3 **A:** *What will Mia / is Mia going to* do this weekend?
B: She's going camping with her friends.
- 4 **A:** We should let our parents know we've arrived at the campsite.
B: Good idea. *I'll call / 'm calling* my dad and he can pass the message onto your parents.
- 5 **A:** Do you think Anna will bring the gas cooker when we go camping?
B: I don't think she's coming. She is *starting / going to start* work at 10 o'clock tomorrow.
- 6 **A:** *Are they going to / Will they* do some shopping before they leave?
B: No, they aren't. They've told me they have everything they need.

2 Complete the dialogue with the correct future form of the verbs in brackets. Sometimes more than one answer is possible.

- Hattie:** 1 _____ (you/go) on holiday this year, George?
- George:** Yes, we 2 _____ (visit) New York.
- Hattie:** Wow! How exciting! Have you booked the flight yet?
- George:** Yes! We 3 _____ (fly) on 24 July. I can't wait!
- Hattie:** Is it a long flight?
- George:** It's about eight hours and I haven't got a travel pillow.
- Hattie:** I 4 _____ (lend) you my pillow – it's really comfortable.
- George:** Oh, thank you! That's great.
- Hattie:** What are you going to do when you are there?
- George:** Well, we 5 _____ (take) a boat to see the Statue of Liberty, but I 6 _____ (not walk) up to the top – I don't like heights!

3 Write a short paragraph about your plans for the weekend. Use the Present Continuous, *will* and *be going to*.

Answer key

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- 1 're meeting
- 2 'll help
- 3 is Mia going to
- 4 'll call
- 5 starting
- 6 Are they going to

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- 1 Are you going
- 2 're visiting/'re going to visit
- 3 're flying
- 4 'll lend
- 5 're going to take
- 6 'm not going to walk

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Model answer

On Saturday, I'm meeting my friends in town and we're going to have lunch together. I want to buy some new trainers, so we're going to visit a few sports shops. On Sunday, I'm running with my friend Sally at 9 a.m. – we're going to do a 10k run. In the afternoon, I'm not going to do anything!