

59 The future perfect

You can use the future perfect to talk about events that will overlap with, or finish before, another event in the future.

⚙️ **New language** The future perfect

Aa **Vocabulary** Life plans

🧩 **New skill** Making plans and predictions

59.1 KEY LANGUAGE THE FUTURE PERFECT

You can use the future perfect to say that an action or event will be finished before a certain future time.

They **will have built** the skyscraper by next year.



59.2 FURTHER EXAMPLES THE FUTURE PERFECT



Cai **will have read** all his course books by next week.



Sam **will have finished** the laundry by this afternoon.

59.3 HOW TO FORM THE FUTURE PERFECT





59.4 FILL IN THE GAPS BY PUTTING THE VERBS IN THE FUTURE PERFECT



By next March, I will have bought (buy) my own house.



1 By the end of the night, I _____ (watch) all the films in the series.



2 You _____ (experience) so many different things by the time you return.



3 Dimitri _____ (cycle) around the world by this time next year.



4 By next year, she _____ (see) all of her favorite bands live.



5 I hope he _____ (clean) the car by the time he goes to the wedding.



6 Before I leave tonight, I _____ (finish) all my work.



59.5 USE THE FUTURE PERFECT TO WRITE SENTENCES ABOUT THE EVENTS ON THE TIMELINE



GRADUATE



MOVE ABROAD



START A BUSINESS



MARRY SOMEONE



RETIRE

23 YEARS OLD

25 YEARS OLD

30 YEARS OLD

35 YEARS OLD

60 YEARS OLD

By the time I'm 23, I will have graduated from college.

1 By the time I'm 25, _____

2 By the time I'm 30, _____

3 By the time I'm 35, _____

4 By the time I'm 60, _____



59.6 KEY LANGUAGE THE FUTURE PERFECT CONTINUOUS

You can use the future perfect continuous to predict the length of an activity. This tense looks back from that imagined time in the future.

By July, I **will have been working** here for a year.



59.7 FURTHER EXAMPLES THE FUTURE PERFECT CONTINUOUS

By the time this is all ready, I **will have been cooking** all day!



By the time I arrive home, I **will have been driving** for 6 hours.



By this time next month, I **will have been learning** English for a year!



59.8 HOW TO FORM THE FUTURE PERFECT CONTINUOUS

TIME REFERENCE	SUBJECT	"WILL"	"HAVE"	"BEEN"	PRESENT PARTICIPLE	REST OF SENTENCE
By July,	I	will	have	been	working	here for a year.



59.9 READ THE PARAGRAPH AND CROSS OUT THE INCORRECT OPTIONS

Dear Graham,

By now you will have **returned** / **been returning** from your honeymoon. I hope you had a great time! Don't forget that we're having a party for Jane on Saturday. She will have **been working** / **worked** here for 20 years on Friday! I hope Frank will have **sent** / **been sending** you an email with all the details by the time you get this. I'll see you at the party. I hope you'll have **caught** / **been catching** up with all your work by then!

Sian



59.10 LISTEN TO THE AUDIO AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS



It's Jon and Eva's last day of high school. They're talking about their future plans.

Jon and Eva took the same exams at school.

True ☐ False ☐ Not given ☒

- 1 Jon will finish his college course before Eva.
True ☐ False ☐ Not given ☐
- 2 Jon wants to work for a big marketing agency.
True ☐ False ☐ Not given ☐
- 3 Eva hopes to work in a big accountancy firm.
True ☐ False ☐ Not given ☐
- 4 Jon says that they could do work for each other.
True ☐ False ☐ Not given ☐



59.11 LISTEN AGAIN AND MARK THE CORRECT SUMMARY

- 1 Jon is taking a course in accountancy while Eva is going to study marketing. He wants to run his own business, but she does not. ☐
- 2 Jon is going to start working now while Eva is going to study accountancy. He wants to run his own business, but she does not. ☐
- 3 Jon is taking a course in marketing while Eva is going to study accountancy. He wants to run his own business, but she does not. ☐
- 4 Jon is taking a course in marketing while Eva is going to study accountancy. She wants to run her own business, but he does not. ☐

59 CHECKLIST



The future perfect ☐

Aa Life plans ☐



Making plans and predictions ☐