

Future review

1 Complete the rules using the words in the box.

going to the present continuous the present simple will

- 1 We use _____ to make predictions about the future.
- 2 We use _____ to talk about schedules and timetables.
- 3 We use _____ to talk about fixed arrangements.
- 4 We use _____ to talk about plans and intentions.

2 Complete the sentences with the most suitable form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 What do you think _____ (happen) next year?
- 2 The plane to Boston _____ (take off) at 7pm.
- 3 Sir Richard Branson _____ (fly) on the first flight.
- 4 Hurry up! We _____ (leave) in ten minutes.

3 Choose the correct words.

The US Space Agency (NASA) (1) *is planning / will plan* to build a space station on the surface of the moon. Estimates say it (2) *is taking / will take* about ten years to complete and (3) *is costing / will cost* around \$200 billion. Any scientists say that it (4) *won't / isn't going to* be worth the cost and a few say that it (5) *isn't / won't be* completed before 2050, more than 40 years away. NASA have given a number of reasons for starting the project. 'We all know the Earth is becoming overcrowded and we are facing serious environmental problems,' said a NASA spokesperson. 'We (6) *are having / will have* to do something soon and this seemed like a good idea.' In the next few years NASA (7) *is asking / is going to ask* a number of countries to help with the cost.

4 Choose the correct phrase a or b to complete each sentence.

- 1 The first flight _____ in 2012.
a will take off b is going to take off
- 2 The train _____ at nine tomorrow morning.
a leaves b is going to leave
- 3 I don't think it _____ too expensive.
a will be b is being
- 4 We _____ at ten outside the cinema.
a meet b are meeting
- 5 A What are you doing?
B I _____ tickets for the new space shuttle.
a am booking b will book
- 6 _____ you later.
a I see b I'll see
- 7 We _____ with my mum and dad next weekend.
a stay b are staying