Future review

1 Complete the rules using the words in the box.

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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