Worksheet 8

Future review

1 Complete the rules using the words in the box.

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<th>the present simple</th>
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<td>1 We use __________ to make predictions about the future.</td>
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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 7 pm.
3 Sir Richard Branson __________ (fly) on the first Virgin Space shuttle.
4 Hurry up! We __________ (leave) in ten minutes.

3 Choose the correct form to complete the text.

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 Which verb form: a, b, or c, does not complete the sentence?

1 The first flight __________ in 2012.
   a is taking off
   b will take off
   c is going to take off

2 The train __________ at 9 tomorrow morning.
   a leaves
   b is leaving
   c is going to leave

3 I don’t think it __________ too expensive.
   a will be
   b is going to be
   c is being
4 We _____________ at ten outside the cinema.
a  are meeting  
b  meet  
c  are going to meet

5 A: What are you doing?  
   B: I _____________ tickets for the new space shuttle.  
a  am booking  
b  am going to book  
c  will book

6 _____________ you later.
a  I’m going to see  
b  I see  
c  I’ll see

7 We _____________ with my mum and dad next weekend.  
a  stay  
b  are staying  
c  are going to stay