



A *I won't be working this time next Monday – I'll be skiing in Switzerland.*



B *Will you be seeing Jane later? Could you give her these documents?*



C *She will be meeting her friends at the cinema tonight.*



How long will we have been hiking till the next rest stop? I hope it won't have grown dark by that time!

We'll have been walking for three hours. And, don't worry, we'll have ended our hike long before it gets dark.

Future continuous

Form: will + be + main verb + -ing

AFFIRMATIVE	I/You/He/She/It/We/They will/ 'll be meeting
NEGATIVE	I/You/He/She/It/We/They will not/ won't be meeting
INTERROGATIVE	Will I/you/he/she/it/we/they be meeting?
SHORT ANSWERS	Yes, I/you/he/she/it/we/they will. No, I/ you/he/she/it/we/they won't.

Time expressions we use with the **future continuous**: *this time tomorrow, next week/month etc., at 7:00 am tomorrow, two hours from now, later etc.*

Future perfect

Form: will + have + p.p. of the main verb

AFFIRMATIVE	I/You/He/She/It/We/They will/'ll have started
NEGATIVE	I/You/He/She/It/We/They will not/ won't have started
INTERROGATIVE	Will I/you/he/she/it/we/they have started?
SHORT ANSWERS	Yes, I/you/he/she/it/we/they will. No, I/ you/he/she/it/we/they won't.

We use the **future perfect** for actions that **will have finished** before a stated time in the future.
Jenny will have arrived in London by 9:00 am.

Use

6 Match each use of the **future continuous** (a-c) to its corresponding example (1-3).

- 1** **b** Will you be going to the supermarket later? I'd like you to bring me some milk.
- 2** The local gallery will be hosting the annual charity art show next month.
- 3** We can't go to the pool at noon tomorrow. They'll be performing maintenance work.

- a** an action which will be in progress at a stated future time
- b** asking someone politely about their plans or arrangements
- c** an action that will definitely happen in the future as a result of a routine or arrangement

Future perfect continuous

Form: will + have been + main verb + -ing

AFFIRMATIVE	I/You/He/She/It/We/They will/ 'll have been sitting
NEGATIVE	I/You/He/She/It/We/They will not/ won't have been sitting
INTERROGATIVE	Will I/you/he/she/it/we/they have been sitting?
SHORT ANSWERS	Yes, I/you/he/she/it/we/they will. No, I/ you/he/she/it/we/they won't.

We use the **future perfect continuous** to emphasise the duration of an action of up to a certain point in the future. The **future perfect continuous** is often used with: **by ... for**.
By the end of the year, he will have been working here for 20 years.

Time expressions we use with the **future perfect** and the **future perfect continuous**: *before, by, by then, by the time, until/till* (only in negative sentences), etc.