FUTURE TENSES

A. FUTURE SIMPLE:

I. Functions:

Future Simple can be used to: [K-12 Notes] Xem thêm bài viết Talking about the Future

Talk about a future action with no planning:

Hold on. I will get a pen.

We will see what we can do to help you.

Maybe we'll stay in and watch television tonight.

• Talk about a random prediction or a promise (think, promise, believe, predict, expect, anticipate, ...):

I think it will rain tomorrow.

I believe people will stop going to the city zoo in the near future.

I promise <u>I'll not do</u> it again!

II. Form:

+ Affirmative:

S + will + V_{bare}

+ Negative:

S + will not + V_{bare}

Shortened form: will = 'll; will not = won't

+ Question:

Will + S + V_{bare}?

B. FUTURE CONTINUOUS:

I. Functions:

Future Continuous can be used to:

• To stress that an action will be happening AROUND a point of time in the future.

I will be playing tennis at 10am tomorrow.

What will you be doing when I arrive?

- We RARELY use Future Continuous with:
 - Verbs of thinking and feeling: believe, dislike, hate, know, like, love, prefer, realise, recognize, remember, suppose, think (= believe), understand, want, wish
 - Verbs of the senses: appear (= seem), feel, look, smell, sound, taste
 - Others: agree, belong, disagree, need, owe, own, possess

II. Form:

+ Affirmative:

S + will + be V_{ing}

+ Negative:

S + will not + be V_{ing}

Shortened form: will = 'll; will not = won't

+ Question:

Will + S + be V_{ing} ?

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C. FUTURE PERFECT:

III. Functions:

Future Perfect can be used:

• To describe an action that will finish **BEFORE** another action or a point of time in the future:

She will have completed her report by this time next week.

I <u>will have eaten</u> dinner by the time you arrive.

• To describe an action that lasts until a point of time in the future:

I will have been here for six months on June 23rd.

The students will have done four tests at the end of this semester.

IV. Form:

+ Affirmative:

S + will have + V₃

+ Negative:

S + will not have + V₃

Shortened form: will = 'll; will not = won't

+ Question:

Will + S + have + V_3 ?