

LESSON 21 – THE FUTURE TENSE

EXERCISE 1. Fill in the blanks using the simple present or present future tense form of the verbs in brackets.

1. When you ____ (reach) Chennai, call my friend Mohit. He ____ (help) you find a good hotel.

Ans. When you *reach* Chennai, call my friend Mohit. He *will help* you find a good hotel.

2. Today, after I ____ (finish) my homework, I ____ (go) for a movie.

Ans. Today, after I *finish* my homework, I *will go* for a movie.

3. If people ____ (not, stop) cutting down trees, we ____ (experience) many climatic changes.

Ans. If people *do not stop* cutting down trees, we *will experience* many climatic changes.

4. Meena ____ (lose) her job, if she ____ (keep) coming late.

Ans. Meena *will lose* her job, if she *keeps* coming late.

5. If it ____ (rain) this weekend, we ____ (dance) in the rain.

Ans. If it *rains* this weekend, we *will dance* in the rain.

6. Unless you ____ (get) good marks, we ____ (not, go) for a holiday.

Ans. Unless you *get* good marks, we *will not go* for a holiday.

7. Do you know what you ____ (do) after you ____ (graduate)?

Ans. Do you know what you *will do* after you *graduate*?

8. If the weather ____ (be) clear tomorrow, we ____ (go) for a picnic.

Ans. If the weather *is* clear tomorrow, we *shall go* for a picnic.

EXERCISE 2. Fill in the blanks with the correct forms of the verbs in brackets. Use the simple future or the future continuous tense.

1. I ____ (go) to the beach tomorrow.

Ans. I *shall go* to the beach tomorrow.

2. Right now I am playing video games. Tomorrow at this time, I ____ (play) video games as well.

Ans. Right now I am playing video games. Tomorrow at this time, I *will be playing* video games as well.

3. The school ____ (remain) closed until next week.

Ans. The school *will remain* closed until next week.

4. Hey Rohit, I hear you ____ (leave) for Singapore soon.

Ans. Hey Rohit, I hear you *will leave* for Singapore soon.

5. Please give these books to Reena. I know you ____ (meet) her in the club later this evening.

Ans. Please give these books to Reena. I know you *will be meeting* her in the club later this evening.

EXERCISE 3. Fill in the blanks with the correct future tense form of the verbs in brackets.

1. Are the books heavy? I _____ (help) you to carry them.
Ans. Are the books heavy? I *shall help* you to carry them.
2. Next week, I _____ (celebrate) my twentieth birthday.
Ans. Next week, I *will celebrate* my twentieth birthday.
3. Rina _____ (enter) the dancing competition again next season.
Ans. Rina *will enter* the dancing competition again next season.
4. Just think, next week at this time, I _____ (lie) on a beach in Goa.
Ans. Just think, next week at this time, I *will be lying* on a beach in Goa.
5. While you will be working, I _____ (enjoy) with my friends.
Ans. While you will be working, I *will be enjoying* with my friends.
6. I hope you _____ (not, forget) me.
Ans. I hope you *will not forget* me.
7. By this time next year, I _____ (graduate) and will be looking for a job.
Ans. By this time next year, I *will have graduated* and will be looking for a job.
8. I _____ (stay) in Paris for three months. By the time I go back, I _____ (see) just about everything in Paris.
Ans. I *will be staying* in Paris for three months. By the time I go back, I *will have seen* just about everything in Paris.
9. When you get off the plane, I _____ (wait) for you.
Ans. When you get off the plane, I *shall be waiting* for you.
10. By the time we get there, everyone _____ (left). I will not be able to meet anyone.
Ans. By the time we get there, everyone *will have left*. I will not be able to meet anyone.

EXERCISE 4. Do as directed.

1. Sheetal baked a cake. (Change to past perfect continuous.)
Ans. Sheetal had been baking a cake.
2. We live in Kolkata. (Change to present perfect.)
Ans. We have lived in Kolkata.
3. I have been teaching for ten years. (Change to past perfect.)
Ans. I had taught for ten years.
4. I dance. (Change to simple future.)
Ans. I shall dance.
5. Manu will have slept. (Change to future perfect continuous.)
Ans. Manu will have been sleeping.