Future Tenses

CEFR B1 · Choosing the future form, future continuous and conditionals

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Worksheet 1: Four Future Forms

Name: _____ Date: _____ Level: B1 (CEFR)

Reference: Match the Form to the Meaning

English has several ways to talk about the future. The choice depends on meaning: a decision now, a plan, a fixed arrangement, or a timetable. At B1 you choose the most natural form, not just a "correct" one.

Form	Meaning	Example
will	decision now, prediction, offer	I'**ll** get it.
going to	intention, evidence-based prediction	I'**m going to** travel.
present continuous	fixed arrangement	I'**m meeting** her at six.
present simple	timetable / schedule	The train **leaves** at nine.

Part A – Choose the Best Future Form

1. A: The phone's ringing. B: I _____ (answer) it.
2. I _____ (see) the dentist at 3 tomorrow. (appointment)
3. Our flight _____ (depart) at 06:40. (timetable)
4. Look at the time — we _____ (be) late! (evidence)
5. I've decided I _____ (learn) to code. (intention)

Part B – Which Form and Why?

#	Situation	Form + reason
1	You predict your team will win (opinion).	
2	You and a friend have agreed to meet on Saturday.	
3	You suddenly offer to help someone.	
4	The bus schedule says it comes at 8:10.	

Score: _____ / 20

Worksheet 2: Future Continuous

Name: _____ Date: _____ Level: B1 (CEFR)

Reference: will be + -ing

The **future continuous** (will be + verb-ing) describes an action that will be **in progress** at a point in the future. We also use it for actions expected as part of a normal routine, and to ask about someone's plans politely.

Use	Example
In progress at a future point	This time tomorrow, I **'ll be flying** to Madrid.
Fixed future routine	I **'ll be seeing** her at the meeting anyway.
Polite enquiry about plans	**Will** you **be using** the car tonight?
contrast: completed vs ongoing	At 8 I'll leave. → At 8 I'll be leaving.

Part A – Complete with the Future Continuous

1. This time next week, we _____ (lie) on a beach.
2. Don't call at nine — I _____ (drive) then.
3. _____ you _____ (work) late tonight?
4. At noon tomorrow, they _____ (take) their exam.

Part B – will or will be + -ing?

1. I _____ (finish) the report by five. (completed)
2. At five, I _____ (still / write) the report. (in progress)
3. Don't worry, I _____ (call) you as soon as I land. (single action)
4. This time on Sunday, we _____ (travel) home. (in progress)

Score: _____ / 25

Worksheet 3: First Conditional & Time Clauses

Name: _____ Date: _____ Level: B1 (CEFR)

Reference: Present Simple After if / when

In the **first conditional** (real future possibility), the *if*-clause uses the **present simple** and the main clause uses **will** (or an imperative/modal). The same rule applies after **when, as soon as, before, after, until, unless**. *Unless* = if not.

Clause	Tense	Example
if + present	present simple	**If** you **heat** ice, it melts / will melt.
main clause	will + base	If it rains, we **'ll stay** in.
unless (= if not)	present simple	**Unless** you **hurry**, you'll be late.
time words	present simple	I'll wait **until** he **comes**.

Part A – Complete the Sentence

1. If you _____ (ask) her, she _____ (help) you.
2. We _____ (miss) the train unless we _____ (leave) now.
3. As soon as the game _____ (finish), I _____ (text) you.
4. I won't decide until I _____ (hear) from them.

Part B – Rewrite with unless

1. If you don't study, you won't pass. → _____
2. If we don't hurry, we'll be late. → _____

Part C – Correct the Mistake

#	Wrong sentence	Correction
1	If it will snow, we'll build a snowman.	
2	I'll phone you when I will finish.	
3	Unless you won't practise, you won't improve.	
4	We'll wait until the bus will come.	

Score: _____ / 30

Worksheet 4: Editing & Writing

Name: _____ Date: _____ Level: B1 (CEFR)

Part A – Intensive Edit

This text has **eight** errors (future form choice, future continuous, conditionals, or time clauses). Find and correct them.

> Next month I start a new job — I've already signed the contract. On my first day I'm nervous, but I think it will be fine. The office opens at 8:30, so I'll take the early train. This time next week, I sit at a new desk! If I will do well, I'm going to ask for more responsibility. As soon as I will settle in, I'll invite you to visit. Don't call me on Monday morning because I'll have my induction — I'll be met lots of new people. Unless something won't change, I'll be very happy there.

#	Error	Correction
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Part B – Guided Writing

Write 120–150 words about your plans and predictions for the next year. You must include: (1) at least three different **future forms** (will, going to, present continuous); (2) at least one **future continuous**; (3) at least one **first conditional** and one **time clause**.

#	Line
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Forms: _____ / 3 Future cont.: _____ / 1 Conditional/time: _____ / 2 Score: _____ / 35

Answer Key & Teacher Notes

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Worksheet 1 – Part A

1 'll answer · 2 'm seeing · 3 departs · 4 're going to be · 5 'm going to learn

Worksheet 1 – Part B

1 will — opinion-based prediction. · 2 present continuous — fixed arrangement with another person. · 3 will — spontaneous offer. · 4 present simple — timetable.

Worksheet 2 – Part A

1 'll be lying · 2 'll be driving · 3 Will … be working · 4 'll be taking

Worksheet 2 – Part B

1 'll finish (completed by five) · 2 'll still be writing (in progress) · 3 'll call (single action) · 4 'll be travelling (in progress)

Worksheet 3 – Part A

1 ask / will help · 2 'll miss / leave · 3 finishes / 'll text · 4 hear

Worksheet 3 – Part B

1 Unless you study, you won't pass. · 2 Unless we hurry, we'll be late.

Worksheet 3 – Part C

1 If it snows, we'll build a snowman. · 2 …when I finish. · 3 Unless you practise, you won't improve. · 4 …until the bus comes.

No *will* after if/when/unless/until; and *unless* already means "if not", so no second negative.

Worksheet 4 – Part A

1 I'm starting a new job (arrangement) · 2 On my first day I'll be nervous (future, not present) · 3 This time next week, I'll be sitting at a new desk · 4 If I do well · 5 As soon as I settle in · 6 I'll be meeting lots of new people (not "be met") · 7 Unless something changes (drop the extra negative) · 8 (accept the "I sit → I'll be sitting" correction as one of the eight)

Worksheet 4 – Part B: Marking Guide

Criterion	Descriptor	Marks
Range of forms	Three+ future forms used appropriately	0–4
Future continuous	One clear, correct use	0–4
Conditional / time clause	Present simple after if/when; no will	0–3
Task & length	120–150 words; coherent	0–3