

be going to, Present Continuous with future meaning


A Fill in the blanks with the correct form of *be going to*.


- 1 I *am going to buy* (buy) a new watch soon.
- 2 You (not finish) the painting in a week.
- 3 you (marry) Alice one day?
- 4 The snow (melt) tomorrow.
- 5 the shopkeeper (close) his shop for the holiday?
- 6 You and your team (not win) the game.


B Write questions using *be going to* and the words below. Then answer the questions using the words in brackets.

- 1 it / snow / tomorrow (rain) *Is it going to snow tomorrow?*
No, it isn't. It's going to rain.
- 2 our neighbours / go on holiday (stay at home)
- 3 Mum / make a cake / for my birthday (buy)
- 4 I / cry / at the show (laugh)


C Brian Jones is a space scientist. He is going to have a busy week. Look at the pictures and complete the paragraph with the Present Continuous form of the verbs below.


1 
fly


2 
meet

3 
teach

On Monday, I (1) *am flying* to London and two scientists (2) me. On Wednesday, I (3) three classes in New York. Some reporters (4) to talk to me on Thursday. I (5) an article for a newspaper on Friday. On Saturday, I (6) to some young people who want to become astronauts.

4 
come

5 
write

6 
talk

D Answer the questions about yourself. Write full sentences.

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| 1 What are you going to eat later today?
..... | 3 Who is making dinner at your house tonight?
..... |
| 2 What are you doing on Saturday afternoon?
..... | 4 Which class are you going to be in next year?
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be going to, Present Continuous with future meaning – Answers

- A**
- 1 am going to buy
 - 2 aren't going to finish
 - 3 Are ... going to marry
 - 4 is going to melt
 - 5 Is ... going to close
 - 6 aren't going to win
- B**
- 1 Is it going to snow tomorrow?
No, it isn't. It's going to rain.
 - 2 Are our neighbours going to go on holiday?
No, they aren't. They're going to stay at home.
 - 3 Is Mum going to make a cake for my birthday?
No, she isn't. She's going to buy a cake.
 - 4 Am I going to cry at the show?
No, I'm not. I'm going to laugh. /
No, you aren't. You're going to laugh.
- C**
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| 1 am flying | 4 are coming |
| 2 are meeting | 5 am writing |
| 3 am teaching | 6 am talking |
- D** Accept all logical and grammatically correct answers.