

FUTURE PERFECT SIMPLE - exercises

1) Make the future perfect. Choose positive, negative or question.

1. (I / leave by six)

2. (you / finish the report by the deadline?)

3. (when / we / do everything?)

4. (she / finish her exams by then, so we can go out for dinner)

5. (you / read the book before the next class)

6. (she / not / finish work by seven)

7. (when / you / complete the work?)

8. (they / arrive by dinnertime)

9. (we / be in London for three years next week)

10. (she / get home by lunchtime?)

2) Make future perfect simple questions.

1. _____ (she / arrive) by 10 o'clock?

2. _____ (you / eat) by 6?

3. _____ (it / stop) raining by tomorrow morning?

4. _____ (we / watch) the film by 7?

5. _____ (she / arrive) by Friday?

6. When _____ (you / finish) the report?

7. What _____ (you / do) by the end of the day?

8. Why _____ (she / leave) by Tuesday?

9. When _____ (you / read) my book?

10. When _____ (we / be) here for six months?

3) Use the verbs in brackets to complete the sentences in the Future perfect simple.

1. I'll tell you tomorrow. I _____ by then. (decide)

2. When you come next time, we _____ in a new house. (move)

3. By the time we reach the coast, the storm _____. (end)

4. In two years' time I _____ my university studies. (finish)

5. He _____ the film before he retires. (complete)

6. Next year we _____ in Spain for ten years. (be)

7. Don't worry. I _____ the manager by noon. (contact)

8. The dinner will be ready when we get back. Mum _____ it. (cook)

9. Please, call again later. Mr. Jones _____ by two o'clock. (return)

10. The garden party will be in July. Do you think the grass _____ in time? (grow)

4) Fill in each blank with the correct words to change each present continuous tense sentence into a future perfect simple sentence.

1. I am writing a book. → By this time next month, I _____ the book.
2. Maria is preparing a report. → By this time tomorrow, Maria _____ the report.
3. Martha is learning German. → By this time next year, Martha _____ German.
4. They are inviting all their friends. → By this time tomorrow, they _____ all their friends.
5. We are bringing our stuff to our new apartment. → By this time tomorrow, we _____ all our stuff to our new apartment.
6. I am fixing my computer. → By this time next week, I _____ my computer.
7. My mother is making dinner. → By the time the guests arrive, my mother _____ dinner.
8. Peter is reading a magazine. → By the time his flight lands, Peter _____ the magazine.
9. My sister and I are painting our apartment. → By this time tomorrow, my sister and I _____ our apartment.
10. John is cleaning the house. → By the time his parents arrive, John _____ the house.

5) Rewrite the sentences with expressions in brackets.

Example: The meal will be ready sooner than at 6 o'clock. (finish) → I will have finished the meal by 6 o'clock.

1. You will get the photos on Friday. → I _____ the photos by the end of the week. (take)
2. Call me later. I will know the information. → When you call me, I _____ the information. (find out)
3. I will be here tomorrow, but Tim is going to leave today. → I will still be here tomorrow, but Tim _____. (leave)
4. Clare will have nothing to do in half an hour. → Clare _____ her work in half an hour. (finish)
5. In summer there will be two new houses in this field. → By next winter they _____ two new houses in this field. (build)
6. When we come to the station, the train will be already there. → The train _____ at the station before we come there. (arrive)
7. I will have 150 lessons in the English course. → I _____ 150 lessons when the English course ends. (attend)
8. We will have no bread tomorrow. → We _____ all that bread by tomorrow. (eat)
9. They will be in the middle of the journey when they reach York. → They _____ half of the journey in York. (do)
10. If you don't hurry, you won't meet anyone at the party. → Hurry up or everyone _____ home by the time you get to the party. (go)

6) Make questions in the present perfect to complete the dialogues. Use the verbs in the box.

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1. What time _____ you _____ the windows? - By 5 o'clock, I hope.
2. When _____ Samantha _____ the book? - She'll give it back to you in two weeks' time, she promised.
3. How many projects _____ you _____ when you finish this one? - This is only my second project.
4. When _____ Susan _____ the portrait? - Before the end of the day, I would say.
5. _____ you _____ the oil before we collect our car? - Yes, I will. I'll have done it by one o'clock.
6. _____ the show _____ if we come in two hours? - I'm afraid it will start in an hour.
7. _____ Angie _____ her CV by the time she goes to the interview? She's already done it.
8. When _____ you _____ all the topics? - When I finish my lectures.
9. _____ we _____ the top of the mountain before the sun sets? Don't worry. It's just two hours' walk.
10. _____ my hair _____ grey in a ten years' time? - Who knows?

FUTURE PERFECT CONTINUOUS - exercises

7) Make the future perfect continuous. Choose the positive, negative or question form.

1. I _____ (work) all weekend so I won't be energetic on Sunday night.
2. How long _____ (you / wait) when you finally get your exam results?
3. Julie _____ (not / eat) much, so we'll need to make sure she has a good meal when she arrives.
4. How long _____ (she / plan) to move house when she finally moves?
5. _____ (she / wait) long by the time we get there?
6. _____ (he / play) computer games for ten hours when he finally stops?
7. They _____ (study) all day, so they'll want to go out in the evening.
8. They _____ (not / stay) in the hotel for long when she arrives.
9. I _____ (not / walk) when I meet you – I'll have been cycling.
10. She _____ (play) squash, so she won't be dressed up.
11. We _____ (look) at houses for four months next Tuesday.
12. We _____ (not / do) this project for long when the inspector arrives.
13. How long _____ (you / work) on this project when it is finished?
14. _____ (you / buy) clothes when I see you?
15. He _____ (not / do) much work, so he'll be happy to start a new project.
16. How long _____ (the children / sleep) in the living room when their new bedroom is ready?
17. How long _____ (he / train) when he enters the competition?
18. _____ (you / take) exams the day we meet?
19. I _____ (answer) students' questions all morning, so I'll want a quiet lunch.
20. _____ (they / travel) for long when they arrive?

8) Respond to the following situations.

1. Why are you so angry?
They _____ the road by the end of this year. (repair)
2. Your French is not perfect.
Don't worry. I _____ it for a year by the time I leave for France. (learn)
3. Look at Jane. She's so nervous.
No wonder. She _____ for Tim for five hours when his plane finally arrives. (wait)
4. Bill is a good teacher.
Definitely. He _____ for five years by the time he's 30. (teach)
5. I could help you pick apples on Saturday.
We _____ apples for a week by Saturday. We'll be finished. (pick)
6. Do you think you will pass the exam?
I hope so. I _____ for it for two weeks when I take it. (revise)
7. Is Grace your neighbour?
Yes, she is. She _____ next door for a year next month. (live)
8. We could buy Lisa a new piano for her birthday.
9. Good idea. When she turns twenty, she _____ the piano for twelve years. (play)
10. Shall I wake Doris up?
Yes, please. At nine o'clock she _____ for ten hours. (sleep)
11. Your parents are experienced workers.
Yes, they are. They _____ together for thirty five years before they retire. (work)

9) Put the verbs into the correct form of the Future perfect continuous.

1. By the end of the week I (work) _____ here for 4 months.
2. By the end of this month we (live) _____ together for six years.
3. By the end of the term she (study) _____ for nine years.
4. By midnight we (play) _____ this computer game for 48 hours.
5. She (talk) _____ on the phone for the last couple of hours.

6. They (look for) _____ me all night long.
7. He (play) _____ soccer all day long.
8. You (watch) _____ TV all the time.
9. He (not / sleep) _____ all morning.
10. (wait / they) _____ for 2 hours?

10) Complete the conversations.

1. A: How long are you going to stay at this hotel?
B: On Sunday we _____ (stay) here for 2 weeks and we'd like to stay one more week.
2. A: Do you think Matt will finish the report in time?
B: No problem. He _____ (work) on it for nearly three days tomorrow.
3. A: Are you worried about your job interview in Paris?
B: Not really. When I leave for France, I _____ (prepare) for it for more than a month.
4. A: We are going to the party at 6 o'clock. Will you join us?
B: I'm afraid I'll be tired. I'll _____ (plant) apple trees for five hours when the party starts.
5. A: Is the electric engine the future of cars?
B: I don't think so. In a ten years' time people _____ (drive) cars with internal combustion engines for a century and a half and it will remain so.
6. A: How long has Patricia been learning English?
B: At the end of this course she _____ (study) English for six years.
7. A: How many countries has your sister visited during her journey?
B: I don't really know. But she _____ (backpack) the world for a year before she gets back home.
8. A: Do you like endless soap operas?
B: I love them. By the end of this year I _____ (watch) Guiding Light for two decades.
9. A: Is the chicken ready?
B: Not at all. At 12.30 I _____ (bake) it for ninety minutes and it is not ready yet!
10. A: Is tennis a tiring sport?
B: Tiring? Look at this match. They _____ (play) for more than 3 or 4 hours when it ends.

11) Rewrite the sentences. Use the underlined verbs in the Future perfect continuous and keep the same meaning.

1. It will rain for 24 hours and it will stop raining in the morning. → When it stops raining in the morning, it _____ for 24 hours.
2. I'll learn French for seven years and then I leave school. → I _____ French for seven years before I leave school.
3. We moved in Hastings 18 years ago and we will live here for another two years. → In a two years' time we _____ at this place for two decades.
4. I'll work in my office for a couple of hours and you'll get up at last. → By the time you get up I _____ in my office for a couple of hours.
5. The farmer's family started picking strawberries last Friday and they will continue till Friday. → On Friday the farmer's family _____ strawberries for a week.
6. In Monaco it will be one month since Darren started sailing on his yacht. → Darren _____ on his yacht for a month when he lands in Monaco.
7. The computer will update its operating system first. It will start working in five minutes. → The computer _____ its operating system for about five minutes before it starts working.
8. We used the Internet for the first time nearly twenty years ago. → By the end of this year we _____ the Internet for twenty years.
9. In July it will be one year since Maggie started singing in the choir. → In July Maggie _____ in the choir for a year.
10. Shall I turn off the gas? It will be 10.15 and the water has nearly been boiling for twenty minutes. → Shall I turn off the gas? The water _____ for twenty minutes at 10.15.

FUTURE PERFECT SIMPLE vs FUTURE PERFECT CONTINUOUS

12) Use the verbs in brackets to make the future perfect simple or continuous.

- In five years' time there will be no houses in this street. (demolish)
In five years' time they _____ all the houses in this street.
- The Christmas tree will be ready before our children come back. (decorate)
We _____ the Christmas tree before our children come back.
- This is my tenth year of teaching experience. (teach)
I _____ for ten years this year.
- I am going to finish my second book by the end of this year. (publish)
My second book _____ by the end of this year.
- Greg will call me and I must think about his proposal before that. (consider)
Before Greg calls me, I _____ his proposal all the time.
- You will be hot until you open the window. (sweat)
You _____ until you open the window.
- On Thursday we will have all the needed information. (receive)
By Friday we _____ all the needed information.
- We planted the trees nearly three years ago. (grow)
This year the trees _____ for three years.
- We will be in Paris sooner than at 5 p. m. (arrive)
We _____ in Paris by 5 p. m.
- Our English workshop will start at 8 o'clock and it will finish at 12 o'clock. (work)
At noon we _____ on our English project for four hours.

13) Use the verbs in brackets to complete the dialogue in the future perfect simple or continuous.

A: How long have you been preparing your campaign, Derek?

B: By the end of this month I _____ (work) on it for a year.

A: For a year? And do you think you _____ (launch) it by the end of June?

B: I hope so. I suppose we _____ (make) all the posters and TV shots by then.

A: Why has it taken you so long?

B: We needed a lot of data to support our arguments. Before we start it in July, several teams of experts _____ (collect) data for six months. And we'll have to sort them out. But we _____ (finish) it by the end of June.

A: I wish you all good luck, Derek. And I hope that before your campaign ends, the public transport in our city _____ (change) for the better.

14) Complete with the Future perfect simple or Future perfect continuous.

- Jonathan _____ (work) on his invention for three hours before he finally goes to bed.
- Jack _____ (work) at the post office for 20 years by the time he's 50.
- I'm afraid Jack _____ (not/recover) from the accident by the time his football training begins.
- I _____ (grow) my own vegetables for 2 years by the end of the year.
- _____ (you/ mail) the invitations before Friday?
- We _____ (convert) the rooftop of our apartment into a garden by the end of the week.
- Scientists hope they _____ (solve) the world's food shortage problem by the end of the century.
- By June, Mr. Patterson _____ (teach) music at school for ten years.
- By November, Harry _____ (sell) his products to local stores for 2 years.
- Are you sure you _____ (clean) the living room before the guests arrive?

15) Complete with the Future perfect simple or Future perfect continuous.

1. By the time we get to Chicago this evening, we (drive) _____ more than four hundred miles. We are going to be exhausted.
2. When Sarah goes on vacation next month, she (study) _____ German for over two years. She should be able to communicate fairly well while she is in Austria.
3. I have not travelled much yet; however, I (visit) _____ the Grand Canyon and San Francisco by the time I leave the United States.
4. By the time you finish studying the verb tense tutorial, you (master) _____ all twelve tenses including their passive forms.
5. Drive faster! If you don't hurry up, she (have) _____ the baby by the time we get to the hospital.
6. I came to England six months ago. I started my economics course three months ago. When I return to Australia, I (study) _____ for nine months and I (be) _____ in England for exactly one year.
7. Margie just called and said she would be here at 8:00 o'clock. By the time she gets here, we (wait) _____ for her for two hours.
8. Frank just changed jobs again. If he keeps this up, he (change) _____ jobs at least four or five times by the end of the year.
9. Come over to my house around 9 o'clock. By then, I (complete) _____ my history essay and we can go see a movie.
10. In June, my grandmother and grandfather (be) _____ married for fifty years.

16) Complete with the Future perfect simple or Future perfect continuous.

1. Margaret: Do you think everything will be finished when I get back from the store?
Jerry: Don't worry. By the time you get back, I (pick) _____ up the living room and (finish) _____ washing the dishes. Everything will be perfect when your parents arrive.
Margaret: I hope so. They (arrive) _____ around 6 o'clock.
Jerry: Everything (be) _____ spotless by the time they get here.
2. Nick: I just have two more courses before I graduate from university. By this time next year, I (graduate) _____ and I will already be looking for a job.
Stacey: Does that scare you? Are you worried about the future?
Nick: Not really. I (go) _____ to a career counsellor and get some advice on how to find a good job.
Stacey: That's a good idea.
Nick: I am also going to do an internship so that when I leave school, I (complete, not, only) _____ over 13 business courses, but I (work, also) _____ in the real world.
3. Stan: Did you hear that Christine (take) _____ a vacation in South America this winter?
Fred: I can't believe how often she goes abroad. Where exactly does she want to go?
Stan: She (visit) _____ Peru, Bolivia and Ecuador.
Fred: At this rate, she (visit) _____ every country in the world by the time she's 50.
4. Judy: How long have you been in Miami?
Elaine: I have only been here for a couple of weeks.
Judy: How long do you plan on staying?
Elaine: I love Miami, so I (stay) _____ here for an extended period of time. When I go back home, I (be) _____ here for more than three months.
Judy: Wow, that's quite a vacation! You (see, definitely) _____ just about everything there is to see in Miami by then.
5. Jane: I can't believe how late we are! By the time we get to the dinner, everyone (finish) _____ eating.
Jack: It's your own fault. You took way too long in the bathroom.
Jane: I couldn't get my hair to look right.
Jack: Who cares? By the time we get there, everyone (left) _____ Nobody (see, ever) _____ your hair.

17) Complete with the Future perfect simple or Future perfect continuous.

1. **Jack:** Have you been watching the Eco-Challenge on TV?
Janet: Isn't that exciting? It has got to be the most unbelievably difficult sporting event in the world.
Jack: I know. By the time they finish the course, they (raft) _____ more than 150 miles down a raging river, (hike) _____ through 80 miles of jungle, (climb) _____ a volcano and (kayak) _____ through shark-infested waters.
Janet: And don't forget that they (move) _____ for at least eight days straight.
2. **Oliver:** When are going to get your Bachelor degree, Anne?
Anne: I am going to finish my degree next June. By the time I graduate, I (go) _____ to four different colleges and universities, and I (study) _____ for more than seven years.
Oliver: Wow, that's a long time!
Anne: And I plan to continue on to get a Ph.D.
Oliver: Really? How long is that going to take?
Anne: By the time I finally finish studying, I (be) _____ a student for over 13 years.
3. **Max:** Sarah has been in the kitchen all day long.
Jake: It doesn't sound like she's having a very good Thanksgiving.
Max: She (cook) _____ for over seven hours by the time everyone arrives for dinner this afternoon. Hopefully, she (finish) _____ everything by then.
Jake: Maybe we should help her out.
4. **Mike:** It's 6:00, and I have been working on my essay for over three hours.
Sid: Do you think you (finish) _____ by 10:00. There's a party at Donna's tonight.
Mike: I (complete, probably) _____ the essay by 10:00, but I (work) _____ on it for more than seven hours and I don't think I am going to feel like going to a party.
5. **Fred:** By the time they finish their trip across Yosemite National Park, they (hike) _____ for more than six days.
Ginger: And they (be, not) _____ in a bed or (have) _____ a shower in almost a week!
Fred: When we pick them up, they (eat) _____ camping food for days, and I am sure they will be starving.
Ginger: I think we had better plan on taking them directly to a restaurant.

18) Complete with the Future perfect simple or Future perfect continuous

1. By this time tomorrow, I _____ (finish) the project.
2. By 8 o'clock, the kids _____ (fall) asleep.
3. By tomorrow morning, he _____ (sleep) wonderfully.
4. By next year, she _____ (receive) her promotion.
5. Robin _____ (sell) his car by next Sunday.
6. Morgan _____ (clean) the entire house by lunch.
7. We _____ (dance) a few dances before midnight.
8. At this time tomorrow morning, they _____ (begin) working.
9. At this time next week, we _____ (catch) the thief.
10. By 2013, I _____ (live) in Madrid for 5 years.
11. In 2020, they _____ (work) here for 20 years.
12. By September, Julie _____ (teach) us for over a year.
13. By October, I _____ (study) English for 3 months.
14. On Monday, she _____ (wait) for 2 weeks.
15. Before Saturday, you _____ (do) all of your homework.
16. She _____ (to ski) all day if she quits at 5:00.
17. Lee _____ (to drive) for eight hours straight by the time we reach our destination.
18. Chris _____ (to run) for ten miles once he crosses the finish line.
19. Angel _____ (to take) the test for two hours by this time tomorrow.
20. The ping pong player _____ (to compete) in the tournament for three straight days if he makes it to the final round.

21. I _____ (to live) in China for a decade if I live here one more year.
22. In ten minutes, my friend and I _____ (to talk) on the phone to each other for five hours.
23. After today, I _____ (to spend) time in the county prison for two years.
24. Once she graduates from high school, Anna _____ (to learn) for twelve years.
25. In two minutes, the magician _____ (to hold) her breath for eight minutes.

19) Complete with the Present simple and the Future perfect simple or Future perfect continuous.

1. By the time you _____ (return) home, you _____ (spend) much time in Africa.
2. She _____ (eat) a lot before the dessert _____ (arrive).
3. He _____ (talk) on the phone before his wife _____ (arrive).
4. We _____ (chose) a date before they _____ (call).
5. Natalie _____ (feed) the baby by the time she _____ (leave) the house.
6. You _____ (finish) your work before you _____ (leave) the office.
7. By the time they _____ (finish) drinking they _____ (drink) too much.
8. I _____ (be) 2 years in Scotland by the time she _____ (arrive).
9. They _____ (study) in the University for 5 years by the time they _____ (get) a degree.
10. I _____ (finish) all the dishes by 7 o'clock.
11. You _____ (forget) about me by then.
12. When you _____ (arrive), the bus _____ (leave).
13. When she _____ (wake) up, he _____ (go) to work.
14. We _____ (speak) with him when we _____ (leave).
15. I _____ (pack) everything when they _____ (come) to pick me up.

20) Fill the gaps with the verb in brackets using either the future perfect simple or continuous tenses.

1. By the time we get to the party, Fat Bob _____ everything.(eat)
2. When we get to March, Jimbo _____ in Thailand for 18 months.(live)
3. There's no point going now. The bus _____ by the time we get there.(leave)
4. Be prepared to stand up during the concert as they _____ all the seats by now. (take)
5. Come June, we _____ out together for four months.(go out)
6. When you get to L.A., you _____ for seven hours.(fly)
7. I'm sure that when we go to the meeting, all the important decisions _____
8. beforehand.(take PASSIVE)
9. This time tomorrow I _____ all my exams.(finish)
10. A week Friday we _____ the course.(complete)
11. Old Mr Macawber _____ maths for 30 years by the end of this term.(teach)
12. Come next spring, we _____ in Kyoto for two years.(work)
13. By the time you wake up tomorrow morning, Pete _____ in Qingdao.(arrive)
14. At this rate, we _____ everything ready by six o'clock.(get)
15. Johnson _____ at sea 7 days by the time he enters French waters.(be)
16. If what scientists say is true, humans _____ life a miserable existence within the next 15 years. (make)

