

Verbs – to be

Present	am, is, are
Past	was, were
Future	will, shall
Perfect	have, has, had

Future perfect continuous tense

- used to project ourselves forward in time and to look back.

- it refers to events or actions that are currently unfinished but will be finished at some future time.

eg: I **will have been waiting** here for three hours.



Future perfect continuous tense

- sentences
- negative sentences
- questions

Subject	singular	Plural
First person	I	We
Second person	You	You
Third person	He, She, It, Name (ex: Sam)	They

a) Sentences – future perfect continuous

Subject	to be (have) + been + verb+ing	+ object
I, We	shall have been playing	football
He, She, You, They, It, Sam	will have been playing	football

Example:

- i) I shall have been playing football.
- ii) You will have been playing football.
- iii) We shall have been playing football.
- iv) They will have been playing football.
- v) He will have been playing football.
- vi) She will have been playing football.
- vii) It will have been playing football.
- viii) Sam will have been playing football.

b) Negative sentences – future perfect continuous

Subject	to be (shall/will have) + not been + verb + ing	+ object
I, We	shall have not been going	to school
He, She, You, They, It, Sam	will have not been going	to school

Example :

I shall have been going to school.	I shall have not been going to school.
You will have been going to school.	You will have not been going to school.
We shall have been going to school.	We shall have not been going to school.
They will have been going to school.	They will have not been going to school.
He will have been going to school.	He will have not been going to school.
She will have been going to school.	She will have not been going to school.
It will have been going to school.	It will have not been going to school.
Sam will have been going to school.	Sam will have not been going to school.

c) Questions – future perfect continuous

To be + subject	Have + been + verb +ing	+ object
Shall I, Shall we	have been singing	song
Will he, Will she, Will it, Will Sam	have been singing	song

Example :

I shall have been singing a song.	Shall I have been singing a song?
You will have been singing a song.	Will you have been singing a song?
We shall have been singing a song.	Shall we have been singing a song?
They will have been singing a song.	Will they have been singing a song?
He will have been singing a song.	Will he have been singing a song?
She will have been singing a song.	Will she have been singing a song?
It will have been singing a song.	Will it have been singing a song?
Sam will have been singing a song.	Will Sam have been singing a song?

Make the sentence in future perfect continuous tense (positive)

1. By next month, we ____ (live) in this city for ten years.

2. My dad _____ (travel) for two days by the time I see him.

3. They'll be exhausted by dinner. They _____ (play) hockey for seven hours.

4. You _____ (work) here for ten years by the time of the Christmas party.

5. The team _____ (practise) for an hour before the month begins.

Make the sentence in future perfect continuous tense (positive)

6. She _____ (do) her sums for ten days by tomorrow.

7. We _____ (wait) long.

8. The teacher _____ (strike) for a month by the time the deal is made.

9. The child _____ (sleep) for three hours before his mother returns from work.

10. She _____ (undergo) surgery for three hours.

Make the sentence in future perfect continuous tense (negative)

1. By November, we _____ (not / live) for five years.
2. She _____ (not / travel) for over 20 years.
3. He _____ (not / work) as a project manager.
4. I expect they _____ (not / do) some gardening.
5. I _____ (not / lie) on a beach facing the sea.
6. By the end of this month, we _____ (not / write) stories for 6 years.

Make the sentence in future perfect continuous tense (negative)

7. Hurry up! Your parents _____ (not / wait) for ages.

8. This time next week, I _____ (not / work) here for three months.

9. Ravi will be really tired this evening because he _____ (not / play) football with his mates.

10. Don't worry. They _____ (not / unpacking) boxes.

Make the sentence in future perfect continuous tense (question)

1. _____ (you / spend) time for studies?
2. _____ (Sonu / watch) a tennis game?
3. _____ (Priya agency / transport) these chairs to our office?
4. _____ (My son / tell) a lie?
5. _____ (My grandma / store) grains?
6. _____ (The manager / send) me an email?
7. _____ (Gopu / switch) on the light?
8. _____ (The team / start) the project?
9. _____ (The policeman / slip) a currency note?
10. _____ (We / purchase) a new house?

Discussion Questions:

1. It's Saturday and your house smells good. What will you have been cooking?
2. You arrange to meet a date at a restaurant, but they arrive one hour late. What will you have been thinking?
3. There is a blackout and you have no power from 5pm to 10pm. When the power comes back on, what will you have been doing?
4. Next year, you find you have gained weight. What will you have been doing?
5. Otto comes out of the cinema and he's smiling. What will he have been watching?
6. You wake up from a dream about your days in high school. What and who will you have been dreaming about?
7. Misty gets a job as a doctor. What will she have been studying before getting that job?
How long will she have been studying for?

8. You complete a triathlon. What will you have been doing for the past few hours?
9. Your plane arrives in London. Will you have been sleeping on the flight?
10. Your friend gives you a birthday present in July. Will you have been expecting it?
11. Your friends come over to your house for a dinner party. How will you have been preparing for the event?
12. If you wake up at your usual time tomorrow, how long will you have been sleeping?



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