

Grammar exercises

1 Underline the most suitable form of the verbs.

To:	Mark
Co:	Jo
Subject:	Trip

Why don't you come with us to Yorkshire? It's all arranged. Jo comes is coming (1) to my house at six so we can go to the station together. The train doesn't leave/isn't leaving (2) until 6.45 but we don't want to be late. It stops/is stopping (3) a lot on the way so it doesn't arrive/isn't arriving (4) until three in the afternoon. We stay/are staying (5) in a youth hostel and we spend/are spending (6) five days there. We can catch a bus some of the way from the station but it doesn't go/isn't going (7) all the way so we have to walk the last two miles from the village. We have/are having (8) breakfast and our evening meal at the youth hostel. It's in a beautiful spot with lots to see. On the way back we need to set off early as there's only one bus and it leaves/is leaving (9) at 8.30. The train back is faster so it arrives/is arriving (10) just after lunch.

2 Fill in the gaps with the present continuous or the will-future of the verb in brackets.

- Tim: Where are you going?
Julie: To the cinema.
Tim: Wait for me. I think I'll come (come) with you.
- From next week all enquiries should be sent to Mary because Frances (leave) on Friday.
- Rachel: I (give) Sophie a CD for her birthday. What (you give) her?
Fiona: I (probably get) her a new purse. She keeps losing money from her old one.
- John: I need to finish packing today because we (move) tomorrow and there's still lots to do.
Peter: Don't worry. I (come) round tonight and help you.
- The government hopes that the national strike (not continue) after next week's meeting, otherwise the economy (not recover) for years.
- James: Never walk under a ladder or you (have) ten years' bad luck.
Kay: Rubbish!
- Details of the president's visit are now confirmed. He (stay) at the Castle Hotel for two days.
- Assistant: We have milk chocolate, plain chocolate, with nuts, with fruit.
Man: Er ... what a lot of choice. I (have) a bar of milk chocolate, please.
- Sarah: (you do) anything special next Saturday?
Lee: Yes, I am. My cousin (arrive) from Italy so I (drive) to the airport in the afternoon to meet him.
- Carol: Have you finished that book I lent you?
Sam: Oh sorry. I forgot all about it. I (get) it now.