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Intro

Advanced grammar in use

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Other ways of talking about the future

A

- be about to + infinitive
- be on the verge of ... / brink of ... / point of ... (+ -ing) or NOUN
 - People **are on the verge of** starvation as the drought continues.
- be due to (+ infinitive)
- be sure / bound to (+ infinitive)
 - The company's chief executive **is due to** retire next year, but following today's announcement of further losses she **is sure to** be asked to leave sooner.
- be set to (+ infinitive)
 - Her new film **is set to** be a great success.

B

- some verbs + to-infinitive
 - We guarantee to refund your money if you are dissatisfied with the computer.
- present simple + to-infinitive or present continuous + to-infinitive
 - I aim to get to Bangkok by the end of June.
 - I*'m aiming to get* to Bangkok by the end of June.

(aim, agree, expect, hope, intend, mean, plan, promise, propose, resolve, undertake, want)

- be looking + to-infinitive
 - We*'re looking to create* 3,000 jobs in the city over the nex year.

C

- verbs in A and B are used with past tense forms
 - The new management had been looking to create 20 new jobs.

D

- shall (I, we), shan't
- will, won't

The future seen from the (future in the past)