

### THE SIMPLE FUTURE

- ✓ With all verbs, both regular and irregular, we form the simple future by adding *will* before the verb.
- ✓ We use the simple future for four main reasons:
  - ⇒ to show that an action will happen in the future;  
*The office will close at 5:00 P.M. tonight.*
  - ⇒ to make a prediction;  
*We assume she'll quit her job.*
  - ⇒ to make a promise;  
*I'll mail the letters for you.*
  - ⇒ to make a request.  
*Will you close the door, please?*

### THE FUTURE PERFECT

- ✓ We form the future perfect by using *will* plus the auxiliary *have* plus the past participle of the verb.
- ✓ We use the future perfect for two main reasons:
  - ⇒ to show that an action will be completed before a time in the future;  
*I'll have read the article online before you find it in the newspaper.*
  - ⇒ to make a prediction about actions that are now finished.  
*We will have to wait in the lobby because the performance will have started by now.*

### Practice: Future Tenses

**DIRECTIONS:** Mark the choice that best completes the sentence.

1. The new course \_\_\_\_\_ by the 5th of June. It's too bad that you don't get back on that date. (A) will start (B) will be starting (C) will have started (D) will have been starting
2. Mr. Davidson \_\_\_\_\_ on the door when he is ready to see you. (A) will knock (B) will be knocking (C) will have knocked (D) will have been knocking
3. Jenny will have lots of time to spend with her parents in January. She \_\_\_\_\_ her job by then. (A) is quitting (B) will be quitting (C) will have quit (D) will have been quitting
4. \_\_\_\_\_ fax these documents to our client, please? (A) Will you (B) Will you be (C) Will you have (D) Will you have been