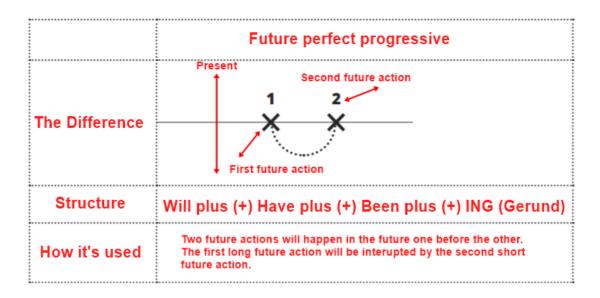


FUTURE PERFECT PROGRESSIVE

LEARNING OBJECTIVE:

In this video students will gain a greater understanding of the future perfect progressive tense and its practical use when constructing sentences. NOTE: If you have understood the past perfect progressive then the future perfect progressive will be easy as it's very similar in many ways.



The future perfect progressive isn't the most commonly used tense in the English language. However, it's important and useful when you want to talk about two actions in the future, one action happening before the other and one long action being interupted by the second shorter action. This can be very useful when explaining something to someone about a future event you are expecting to happen. For example at work.

Example:

I "will have been working" at Amazon for two years when I "get" my promotion.

I this example the first future long action "will have been working" (future perfect progressive) will be interupted by the second short action "when I get my promotion".

You can see here that the first long action "will have been working" will be interupted by the second short action "when I get my promotion" (arrival of a specific action in the future.) And that the second short action is in the simple present. (get)

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So, the first long action is in the future perfect progressive and the second short action is in the simple present.

More examples:

- 1. I **will have been studying** Portuguese for ten years when I finally take my exam.
- 2. Renata **will have been reading** Harry Potter for two months when she finally sees the movie.
- 3. My car **will have been running** badly for a five days when I finally take it to a garage to be fixed.

Practice examples 5

Which of these sentences are "Present perfect progressive?

- 1. Steve had run in many marathons by the time he wa 40 years old.
- 2. John went to the cinema last night.
- 3. Bill will have played golf for over twenty years by next December.
- 4. Did you play football last Saturday?
- 5. Renata had been living in the UK for five years when she finally got her citizenship.
- 6. John and I have been playing golf together for years.
- 7. John and Bill have played football together for the last five years.
- 8. Renata will have lived in France for five years when she gets her visa.
- 9. We will have been working together for ten years by December this year.
- 10. The number 9 bus has been coming by our shop for the last 20 years.

The answers to these questions can be found in the downloadable document "Answers to questions"