

## Which future form?

- 2 5.4 Complete the pilot's announcement with the most natural future form – **Present Simple**, **will** or the **Future Continuous**. There can often be more than one form! Listen and compare.

“This is your captain speaking...”



“Good afternoon ladies and gentlemen. Welcome aboard this Virgin Atlantic flight to Boston. In a short time, we <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (*take off*). Our flight time today <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (*be*) approximately six and a half hours and we <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (*fly*) at 37,000 feet, at a cruising speed of 575 miles per hour. We <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (*come in*) over the coast of Newfoundland before heading down to Boston. We <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (*arrive*) in Boston at 20.45 US time. The cabin crew <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (*serve*) an evening meal during the flight. If you need any assistance, just press the call button and a flight attendant <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (*come*) to help you. In case of turbulence, <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you please \_\_\_\_\_ (*keep*) your seatbelt fastened when in your seat?”

(Near the end of flight)

“In a few moments time, the crew <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (*give out*) landing cards for those who <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (*need*) them. In 20 minutes, we <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (*land*) at Boston Logan airport where the temperature is a chilly 5 °C. Please put your seats in the upright position and remain seated until the plane <sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ (*come*) to a complete standstill. We hope you have enjoyed your flight with Virgin Atlantic.”

## Talking about you

- 3 Work with a partner. Complete the questions with the most natural future form. Sometimes there are several possibilities.
- Where \_\_\_\_\_ (you go) on holiday this year?
  - When \_\_\_\_\_ (you go)?
  - How \_\_\_\_\_ (you get) there?
  - (you stay) \_\_\_\_\_ in a hotel? Which?
  - How long \_\_\_\_\_ (you be) away for?
  - What \_\_\_\_\_ (you all do) there?
- 4 5.5 Use the questions to make a conversation about holiday plans. Act it out to the class then listen and compare.

## I hope so / I don't think so

- 5 5.6 Listen to the questions and complete the different responses.

1 'Do you think you'll ever get a promotion?'

- 'I \_\_\_\_\_ so.'
- 'I \_\_\_\_\_ one day.'
- 'It's possible, but I \_\_\_\_\_ it.'
- 'I'm sure I \_\_\_\_\_.'
- 'I'm sure I \_\_\_\_\_. My boss doesn't even know my name!'

2 'Are you going out tonight?'

- 'Yes, I am.'
- 'I think \_\_\_\_\_, but I'm not sure.'
- 'I \_\_\_\_\_ be.'
- 'You \_\_\_\_\_! I'm meeting the guys at the pub.'

3 'Do you think the world's climate will change dramatically in the next 50 years?'

- 'I \_\_\_\_\_ so.'
- 'I hope \_\_\_\_\_.'
- 'Who \_\_\_\_\_. Maybe.'
- 'I'm convinced it \_\_\_\_\_. All the experts say so.'

- 6 Work in small groups. Ask and answer similar *yes/no* questions about future possibilities in your life.

Do you think you'll ever be famous?

I'm sure I will, because I ...

- be famous**  
**work abroad**  
**marry a millionaire**  
**speak perfect English**  
**have grandchildren**
- go to the cinema soon**  
**meet friends this weekend**  
**eat out in the next few days**
- we discover life on another planet**  
**people live for 150 years**  
**find a cure for cancer**

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