

## **Future tenses things in common**

### **New Cutting Edge Intermediate Module 5**

*Make predictions about yourself (including a time clause- a vague one if you like) that you think will also be true about your partner. You get one point for each time they say "Me too"/ "So will I"/ "Me neither"/ "Neither will I" (you can also use negative sentences).*

#### **Ideas for predictions**

Health and fitness

Weight

Meet someone in the street

Meet someone famous

Appearance

Lose something

Pass/ Fail

Win/ Lose

Argue

Difficult/ Easy

Enjoy

Late/ Early

Arrive

Distant future

In 5/ 10/ 15/ 25/ 50 years

*When you run out of ideas with predictions, do the same with plans and then arrangements*

#### **Plans**

Travel

Study/ Work

Homework

Shopping

Housework

Diet

#### **Arrangements**

Meeting people (for lunch/ for drinks)

Flying

Catching a coach or long distance train

Business meeting

Starting a new course

Appointments

Dates

Change partners and do the same thing, but this time using a mix of the three tenses. Your partner will only say "Me too" if the event and tense is correct for them.

### **Mix of tenses**

Retire  
Travel  
Change job  
Move house  
Get married  
Have children  
Haircut  
See a movie  
Go to a restaurant  
Spend money  
This weekend

### **Useful language**

#### **Responses**

So will I/ So am I/ Me too  
Neither will I/ Neither am I/ Me neither  
Really?/ Is that right?/ That's interesting/ You surprise me/ Actually, I...

#### **Time clauses**

This afternoon/ evening/ Tonight  
Later (= Later today = Later on)  
Tomorrow (morning/ lunchtime/ afternoon/ evening/ night)  
The day after tomorrow  
Next week/ month/ year/ decade  
After...  
Before...  
In ... minutes/ hours/ days/ weeks/ months/ years/ ...  
When/ As soon as you retire/ finish this course/ ...  
In + *month/ year/ decade/ ...*  
At + *time*  
On + *day/ date*  
Between ... and ...

#### **Typical confusions**

I'm going to move house after two days/ I'm going to move house in two days