



## Future Perfect Continuous: Future Perfect vs Future Perfect Continuous

Fill in the blank with the correct option.

- By next month, I \_\_\_ this book. (emphasis on completion)  
a) will have finished  
b) will have been finishing  
c) will finish  
d) will be finishing
- By next month, I \_\_\_ this book for three weeks. (emphasis on duration)  
a) will have read  
b) will have been reading  
c) will read  
d) will be reading
- She \_\_\_ 100 pages by tonight. (focus on quantity completed)  
a) will have been writing  
b) will write  
c) will have written  
d) will be writing
- By the time you see her tonight, she \_\_\_ all day, so she'll be tired. (focus on continuous activity)  
a) will write  
b) will have written  
c) will be writing  
d) will have been writing
- By 6 PM, the chef \_\_\_ dinner. (the meal is complete)  
a) will have prepared  
b) will have been preparing  
c) will prepare  
d) will be preparing
- By 6 PM, the chef \_\_\_ for three hours. (duration of cooking)  
a) will have cooked  
b) will have been cooking  
c) will cook  
d) will be cooking
- They \_\_\_ three houses by the end of the year. (number completed)  
a) will have been building  
b) will build  
c) will have built  
d) will be building
- They \_\_\_ houses for ten years by 2025. (length of time in the profession)  
a) will have built  
b) will build  
c) will be building  
d) will have been building
- I \_\_\_ five emails by lunchtime. (count of completed items)  
a) will have sent  
b) will have been sending  
c) will send  
d) will be sending
- I \_\_\_ emails all morning, so I'll need a break. (continuous activity)  
a) will have sent  
b) will have been sending  
c) will send  
d) will be sending
- By graduation, she \_\_\_ her degree. (achievement/completion)  
a) will have been earning  
b) will earn  
c) will have earned  
d) will be earning





## Answers

1. a) will have finished
2. b) will have been reading
3. c) will have written
4. d) will have been writing
5. a) will have prepared
6. b) will have been cooking
7. c) will have built
8. d) will have been building
9. a) will have sent
10. b) will have been sending
11. c) will have earned
12. d) will have been studying
13. a) will have hired
14. b) will have been hiring
15. c) will have completed
16. d) will have been running
17. a) will have uploaded
18. b) will have been uploading
19. c) will have completed
20. d) will have been working



# Explanations

**1. “will have finished” (a)**

Use Future Perfect ('will have finished') when emphasizing the completion of an action by a future point.

**2. “will have been reading” (b)**

Use Future Perfect Continuous ('will have been reading') when emphasizing the duration of an ongoing action.

**3. “will have written” (c)**

Future Perfect emphasizes the completed result (100 pages).

**4. “will have been writing” (d)**

With 'by the time', Future Perfect Continuous ('will have been writing') is required to emphasize the ongoing process and accumulated duration causing tiredness.

**5. “will have prepared” (a)**

Future Perfect shows the dinner will be complete by 6 PM.

**6. “will have been cooking” (b)**

Future Perfect Continuous emphasizes the duration of the cooking process.

**7. “will have built” (c)**

Future Perfect focuses on the completed number of houses.

**8. “will have been building” (d)**

Future Perfect Continuous emphasizes the ongoing duration of their work.

**9. “will have sent” (a)**

Future Perfect emphasizes the completed count (five emails).

**10. “will have been sending” (b)**

Future Perfect Continuous emphasizes the ongoing activity and its effect.

**11. “will have earned” (c)**

Future Perfect shows the completion of earning the degree.

**12. “will have been studying” (d)**

Future Perfect Continuous emphasizes the continuous effort over the four years.

**13. “will have hired” (a)**

Future Perfect emphasizes reaching the target number.

**14. “will have been hiring” (b)**

With 'By December', Future Perfect Continuous ('will have been hiring') is required to emphasize the continuous, ongoing hiring process up to that point.

**15. “will have completed” (c)**

Future Perfect shows the completion of the marathon.

**16. “will have been running” (d)**

Future Perfect Continuous emphasizes the duration of running.

**17. “will have uploaded” (a)**

Future Perfect shows the completion of uploading all files.

**18. “will have been uploading” (b)**

Future Perfect Continuous emphasizes the duration of the uploading process.

**19. “will have completed” (c)**

Future Perfect emphasizes the completed painting.

**20. “will have been working” (d)**

Future Perfect Continuous emphasizes the duration of working on the painting.