

FUTURE IN ENGLISH SIMPLIFIED

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► Common ways to express future in English are:

1. Present continuous
2. Present simple
3. Be + going to
4. Be + to + infinitive
5. Will + infinitive
6. Will + be + -ing
7. Will + have + past participle

(Murphy, 2012)

Present continuous

- ▶ We use the present continuous to express future in English.
- *I'm leaving Baghdad to Amman next week.* (I will leave to Amman next week but I am not there now)

Present simple

- ▶ Present simple is also used to express future in English.
- *I leave Baghdad to Amman next week.* (I am not leaving at present but I will leave next week, a time in future)

Be + going to

- ▶ Another form to express future is using (be) + going to.
- *I am going to leave Baghdad to Amman next week.*

Be + to + infinitive

- ▶ This is another form to express future.
- *I am to leave Baghdad to Amman next week.*

Will + infinitive

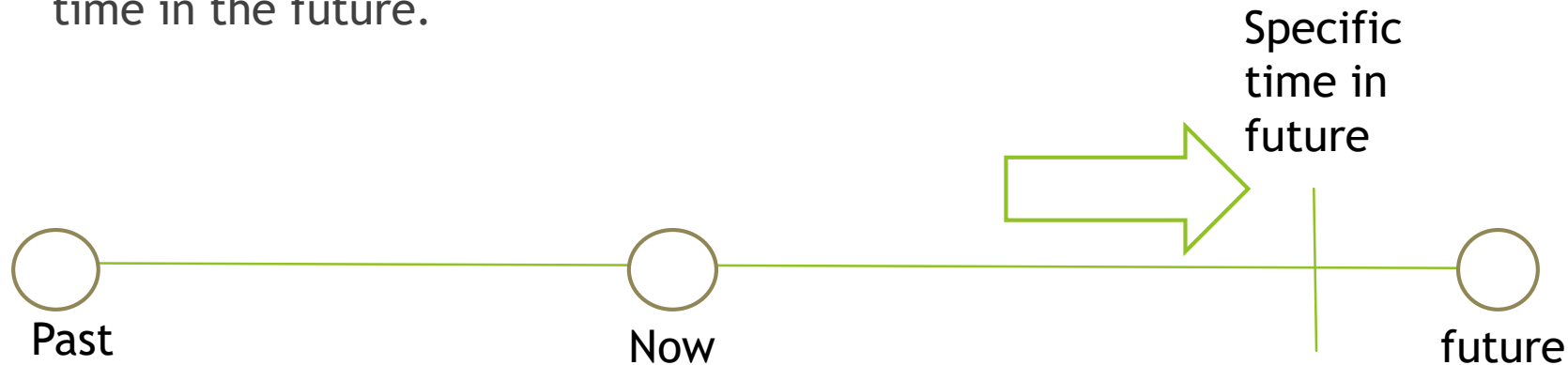
- ▶ This is one of the most common ways to express future in English.
- *I will leave Baghdad to Amman next week.*

Will + be + -ing

- ▶ Another form to express future in English is this one as shown in the example below.
- *I will be leaving Baghdad to Amman next week.*

Will + have + past participle

- ▶ This form is used to refer to actions that will be completed before a certain time in the future.



(Murphy, 2012)

- *I will have left Baghdad to Amman by next week.*

References

- ▶ Murphy, R. (2012). English grammar in use. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.