**Exercise 1:**



**Exercise 2&3:**

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**Exercise 4:**

Planned future actions can be expressed by the present continuous tense with a time expression or by the be going to form with or without a time expression. The present continuous is mainly used for very definite arrangements in the near future. The be going to form can be used more widely.

Use the present continuous where possible in the following sentences and put the remaining verbs into the be going to form.

1 I (play) bridge tonight with Tom and Ann.

2 He (have) an operation next week.

3 It's very cold. I (light) a fire.

4 We (have) some friends to lunch tomorrow.

5 I've bought a piano; it (be) delivered this afternoon. ~ Where you (put) it? ~ I (put) it in the dining room.

6 You (go) to the auction tomorrow? ~Yes, I (go) but I (not buy) anything.

7 I've reminded you once; I (not do) it again.

8 I (have) my hair cut this afternoon.

9 My nephew (come) to stay with me next weekend. ~ Where you (put) him? ~ I (put) him in the room in the tower.

10 Our class (start) German next term.

11 I (spend) a few days in London next week.

12 The Town Council (build) a new school here.

13 What you (tell) the police? ~ I (tell) them the truth.

14 He (start) tomorrow. 15 The Queen (open) Parliament next month.

16 The Prime Minister (speak) on TV tonight.

17 This shop (close) down next week.

18 When you (have) your next lesson? ~ I (have) it on Monday.

19 I (collect) my new dress this afternoon.

20 We (take) the children to the seaside this summer.

**Key to exercise 1,2&3**

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**Key to Exercise 4 (be going to is possible in all these sentences, but where the present continuous tense is given in the key, that is the better one to use.)**

1 am playing 2 is having 3 am going to light 4 are having 5 is being, are you putting, am putting 6 are you going, am going, am not buying/am not going to buy 7 am not going to do Sam having 9 is coming, are you putting, am putting 10 is starting II am spending 12 is going to build 13 are you going to tell, am going to tell 14 is starting 15 is opening 16 is speaking 17 is closing 18 are you having, am having 19 am collecting 20 are taking .