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## Grammar Self-Checks

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### The passive voice: the future, the future as seen from the past, and the future perfect

Look at the example sentences in the passive voice that refer to the future.

#### The future

In the future, appliances **will be linked** to each other and to the Internet as well.

In coming years, our lives **are going to be made** easier by new home technologies.

#### The future as seen from the past

Verne predicted that spaceships **would be taken** into outer space.

He thought that one day nature **was going to be controlled** by humans.

#### The future perfect

By 2025, commercial space travel **will have been started**.

Cities **will have been built** on the moon by the end of the century.

### FIGURE IT OUT...

Circle the letter of the correct answer.

- How are predictions about the future made in the passive voice?  
a. will be or be going to be + a past participle      b. will or be going to + the base form of a verb
- How are statements about the future as seen from the past made in the passive voice?  
a. will be or be going to be + a past participle      b. would be or was going to be + a past participle
- How are statements in the future perfect made in the passive voice?  
a. will have been + a past participle      b. will have been going to + a past participle

**NOTE:** The passive voice is often used when discussing science and technology. Use a by phrase when it's important to name the agent (the performer of the action).

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Rewrite this sentence to indicate that technology is the agent: Our lives will be improved.

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