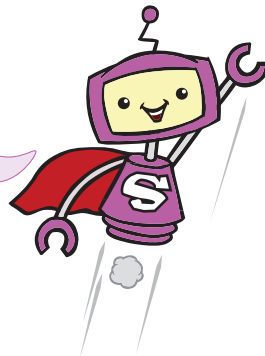


What does the future hold?

So, Peter, you want to become a robotics engineer? Good on you. I think that is well suited to your personality. How about you, Anna? Have you got any ideas about what to do in the future? Don't worry; you're not the only one still deciding. Do you think it's too late for a career change for *moi*? Let's see what the future holds!



LINKS TO:

Stage 3, Module 10
Learning Object 3: *What are you going to be?*

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Module 8 Work Sheet 5: *My daily life*

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Module 6 Work Sheet 2: *Are you suitable?*

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1 Back to the future

Have you noticed how Indonesian sentences sometimes do not have any tense markers? Despite this, there are very few misunderstandings about whether the speaker is talking about the present, the past or the future because they can rely on the context to provide the necessary information.

In Stages 1 and 2 you have learned how to use time expressions to talk about the future.

Below is a list of some common time expressions that indicate the future tense in Indonesian.

<i>besok</i>	tomorrow
<i>lusa</i>	the day after tomorrow
<i>minggu depan</i>	next week
<i>bulan depan</i>	next month
<i>tahun depan</i>	next year
<i>masa depan</i>	in the future

2 One day I'll fly away!

In Learning Object 3, *What are you going to be?* Peter and Anna gathered lots of information about potential career paths at the career expo.

Anna, however, was just as unsure as ever about her future. Grandma's question and her reply keep replaying in her head.

Grandma: *Apa cita — citamu?*
What are you going to be in the future?

Anna: *Saya tidak tahu.*
I don't know.

When Peter was asked the same question by Grandma, his reply was quite different.

Peter: *Saya akan menjadi insinyur robotik seperti nenek, Nek.*
I'm going to be a robotics engineer like you, Grandma.

Cita-cita means aspirations. Grandma is asking Peter and Anna what their aspirations for the future are. Another way for Grandma to ask Anna about the future would be:

Grandma: *Kamu ingin menjadi apa di masa depan?*
What do you want to become in the future?

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In this version of her question, Grandma used the phrase *masa depan*. *Masa depan* is a formal future tense marker used to talk about intentions.

➔ For example:

Tolong bicarakan rencanamu untuk masa depan.
Please talk about your plans for the future.

Pada masa depan, kalau kamu sudah lulus dari SMA, apakah kamu pikir akan mudah mencari pekerjaan?

In the future, when you have graduated from high school, do you think it will be easy to find a job?

Dia ingin menjadi polisi di masa depan.
She wants to be a policeman in the future.

The auxiliary verb *mau*, meaning 'to want', can be used in the same way as *akan*, meaning 'will' or 'going to'. *Mau* is used to talk about what someone wants to do, or plans to do.

➔ For example:

Dia mau pulang ke Meksiko.
He will return to Mexico.

Saya mau bertemu dengan dia besok.
I am going to meet him tomorrow.

Peter mau main hockey minggu depan.
Peter is going to play hockey next week.

Finally, to clarify when something will occur in the future, you can use the question word *kapan*.

➔ For example:

Kapan Anda mau pulang?
When will you come home?

3 What dreams may come

Anna is still unsure about her dreams for the future. As she ponders future careers, she is thinking about the questions asked in the career expo questionnaire.

➔ For example:

Kemampuan apa yang Anda butuhkan?
What skills do you need?

Kemampuan apa yang Anda miliki untuk pekerjaan ini?
What skills do you have for this job?

Apa Anda pandai menggunakan komputer atau mesin?
Are you good at using computers or machines?

The questions asked of Anna and Nina at the career expo were often in the passive voice.

Apa yang akan Anda lakukan untuk mendapatkan kemampuan ini?

Note the difference when the same question is phrased in active voice:

Anda akan melakukan apa untuk mendapatkan kemampuan ini?

The difference in structure is quite obvious, but the difference in focus is subtle. In the first question, in passive voice, the focus is on what (*Apa*) Anna or Nina are going to do in order to gain the necessary skills. In the second, in active voice, the focus is more directly on Anna or Nina (*Anda*).

When thinking about a possible career, it is important to identify the skills you will need. On the next page is a list of some skills and personal qualities you might need.

➔ For example:

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<i>suka dan punya bakat merancang</i>	enjoy and have talent for design
<i>kreatif</i>	creative flair
<i>punya kemampuan berkomunikasi dengan baik</i>	good communication skills
<i>pandai menggunakan komputer</i>	good with computer
<i>suka memasak</i>	enjoy cooking
<i>bisa bekerja di bawah tekanan</i>	able to work under pressure
<i>suka merencanakan dan melakukan kegiatan-kegiatan teknis</i>	enjoy technical and engineering activities
<i>bisa bekerja dalam tim</i>	able to work as part of a team
<i>bisa memecahkan masalah</i>	able to problem solve
<i>pandai dalam bidang fisika dan kimia</i>	good at physics and chemistry
<i>bisa bekerja secara mandiri</i>	able to work independently
<i>bersedia mencoba sesuatu yang baru</i>	willing to try something new

Exercises

Exercise 1

In this work sheet, you have learned more about writing in the future tense.

Demonstrate your understanding of the future tense by converting the following sentences into future tense statements, in Indonesian.

You may need to change the sense slightly in order for the sentence to be both logical and grammatically correct.

1.1 The children went to the park for lunch.

1.2 Everyone had a wonderful time at the party.

1.3 We are visiting the museum to see the Egyptian exhibition.

1.4 She was a brave and adventurous explorer.

1.5 Our team won the trophy because our coach told us to play hard or go home!

1.6 The earth takes 365 days to orbit the sun.

Exercise 2



Have you thought about your future career? Both Peter and Anna have completed the career expo questionnaire, and now it's your turn to do the same.

Write your answers to the following questions, in Indonesian.

Q: *Anda ingin menjadi apa di masa depan?*

A: _____

Q: *Kemampuan apa yang Anda miliki?*

A: _____

Q: *Kemampuan apa lagi yang Anda butuhkan?*

A: _____

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Q: *Apa yang akan Anda lakukan untuk mendapatkan kemampuan ini?*

A:

Q: *Pekerjaan apa yang biasanya Anda lakukan sehari-hari?*

A:

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Q: *Apa Anda lebih suka bekerja dengan sesuatu daripada dengan orang?*

A: _____

Q: *Apa Anda lebih suka beraktivitas di luar daripada di dalam ruangan?*

A: _____

Q: *Apa Anda punya kemampuan berkomunikasi dengan baik?*

A: _____

Q: *Apa Anda pandai menggunakan komputer atau mesin?*

A: _____

Q: *Apa Anda pandai dalam bidang ilmu pengetahuan alam?*

A: _____
