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**LESSON LAYOUT**

**1. Alternative ways of expressing the future**

**2. Dialogue for trade fairs**

**EXPRESSING THE FUTURE**

**1. Complete the following exercise:**

**1. The government \_\_\_\_\_\_ to pass the new law by the end of the year.**

a.is about

b.is on the verge

c.is

d.is on the point

**2. The new canal \_\_\_\_\_\_ to be finished by December next year.**

a.is due

b.is on the brink

c.is about

d.is on the verge

**3. Researchers say they are \_\_\_\_\_\_ discovering a new form of life.**

a.about

b.on the verge of

c.on the point of

d.on the point of / on the verge of

**4. She is \_\_\_\_\_\_ to give birth to their second child in a few weeks.**

a.sure

b.on the verge

c.about

d.due

**5. The National Institute of Health \_\_\_\_\_\_ to begin the first human trials for an experimental vaccine in the coming months.**

a.is on the verge

b.is due

c.is about

d.is on the point

**6. The prime minister \_\_\_\_\_\_ contact the French president to begin negotiations.**

a.is on the verge

b.is on the brink

c.is due

d.is to

**7. Borneo's orangutans are \_\_\_\_\_\_ extinct.**

a.on the verge of becoming

b.about to become

c.due to become

d.on the verge of becoming / about to become

**8. The next-generation of the device \_\_\_\_\_\_ to be unveiled until October 4th.**

a.isn't due

b.isn't unlikely

c.isn't about

d.isn't on the verge

**9. Experts say the terrorist attack \_\_\_\_\_\_ to affect tourism in the short term.**

a.is on the point

b.is due

c.is bound

d.is about

**10. The government \_\_\_\_\_\_ its decision at a press conference on Friday.**

a.is about to announce

b.is unlikely to announce

c.is on the verge of announcing

d.is due to announce

**2. Rewrite the sentences using the words in brackets so that the new sentences mean the same**

**1** Arsenal have arranged to sign the new player in the next few days. **(are)**

Arsenal \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the new player in the next few days.

**2** It is expected that another protest will take place on July 16.**(due)**

Another protest \_\_\_\_\_\_ on July 16.

**3** The election process will begin immediately. **(about)**

The election process\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**4** The athlete will achieve his lifetime goal very soon. **(verge)**

The athlete \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ his lifetime goal.

**5** The competition will undoubtedly be very tough. **(bound)**

The competition \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ very tough.

**6** Works to repair the church are expected to start next month. **(due)**

Works to repair the church \_\_\_\_\_\_ next month.

**7** After his last defeat, he admitted he is about to give up professional boxing. **(point)**

After his last defeat, he admitted he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ professional boxing.

**8** You mustn't speak unless you are told to. **(not to)**

You\_\_\_\_\_\_ unless you are told to.

**9** The midfield player is ready to sign a new contract with Real Madrid. **(due)**

The midfield player \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a new contract with Real Madrid.

**10** Hurry up! The guests will arrive any minute. **(about)**

Hurry up! The guests \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**2. Social language at conferences and trade fairs**

**A. Work together to create a short dialogue/rolepay of the following stages of meeting someone at a conference:**

1. Naturally start a conversation with someone nearby

2. Bump into each other later in the same conference and introduce other people

3. Arrange contact after the conference

4. Contact them that way

**B. What other conversations are common before and after conference sessions?**

**Think of a suitable response for each of these situations. Write down any useful phrases.**

Talking to someone who you didn’t expect to be there

Talking to someone who you haven’t seen for a long time

Talking to someone who you’ve had contact with but never met face to face

Talking to someone who you’ve never met but whose organisation you know about

Talking to someone whose position or organisation you have never heard of

Not being sure if you’ve met someone before or not

Remembering you’ve had contact before, but not remembering the details Introducing people

Offering to put the person who you are speaking to in contact with someone else

Commenting on the workshops/ presentations/ sessions

Mentioning other conferences/ trade shows

Starting a conversation with the person next to you

Talking about accommodation

Talking about food and drink

Talking about people and places that you both know or know about

Talking about the other people there

Talking about the venue and surroundings

**C. Work together to think of good responses to the following phrases:**

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| “I thought you might be here.” |  |
| “This is a nice surprise.” |  |
| “Long time no see.” |  |
| “It’s so nice to finally meet you.” |  |
| “It sounds like quite a big company. I’m surprised I’ve never heard of it.” |  |
| “Have we met before?” |  |
| “You really should talk to…, he’s just over there.” |  |
| “If you’re interested, I could give you his number.” |  |
| “It wasn’t quite what I expected (but in a good way).” |  |
| “Did you come to the same thing last year?” |  |
| “Is anyone sitting here?” |  |
| “Where are you staying?” |  |
| “What’s the coffee like?” |  |
| “Oslo? I was there on holiday just a few weeks ago.” |  |
| “Nice place, isn’t it?” |  |

**D. Do any of your responses follow the structure answer + add some more information + ask a question back? If not, would that structure make any of your responses better? Roleplay longer conversations starting with those phrases and responses.**