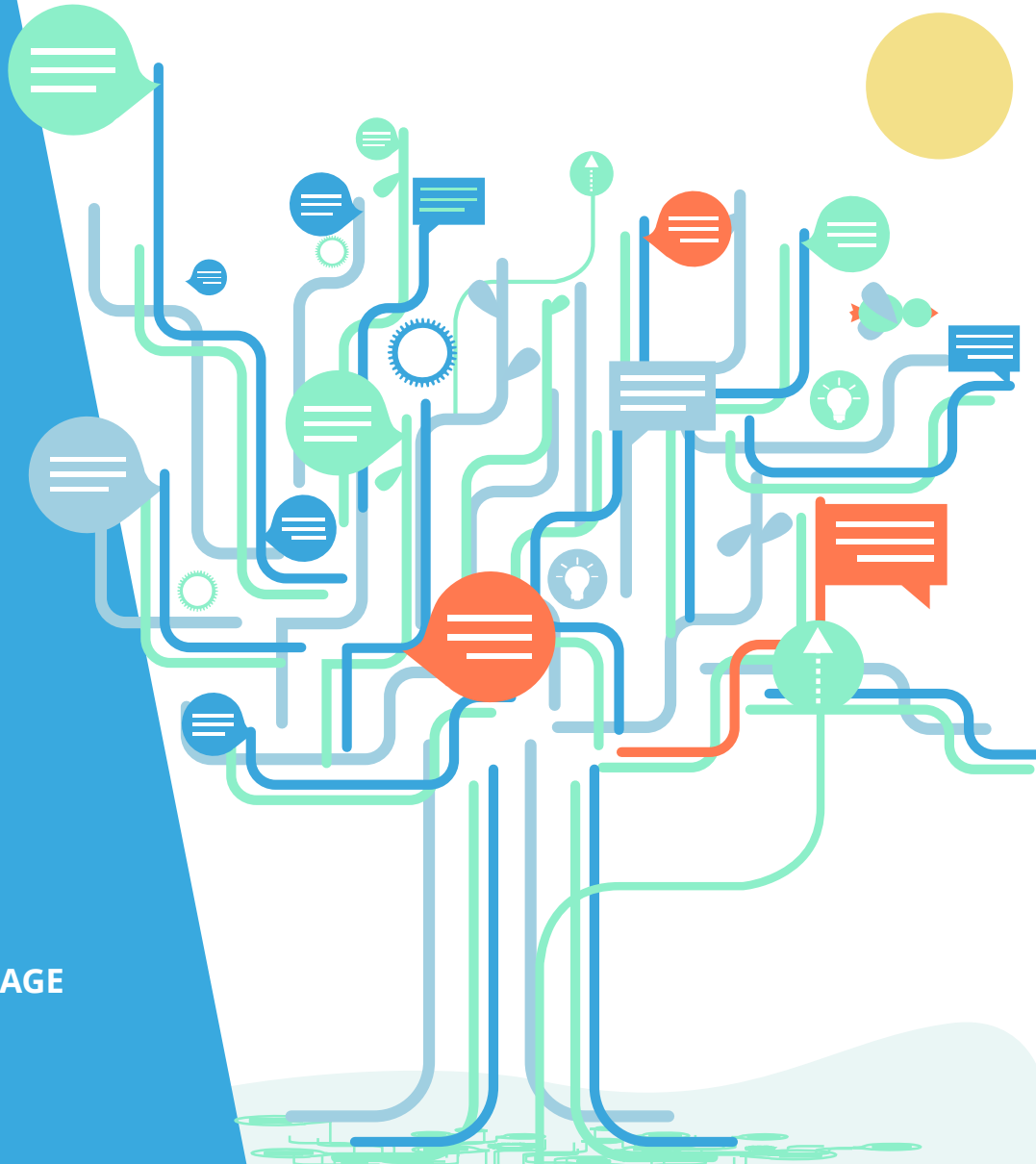


I am looking forward to that!

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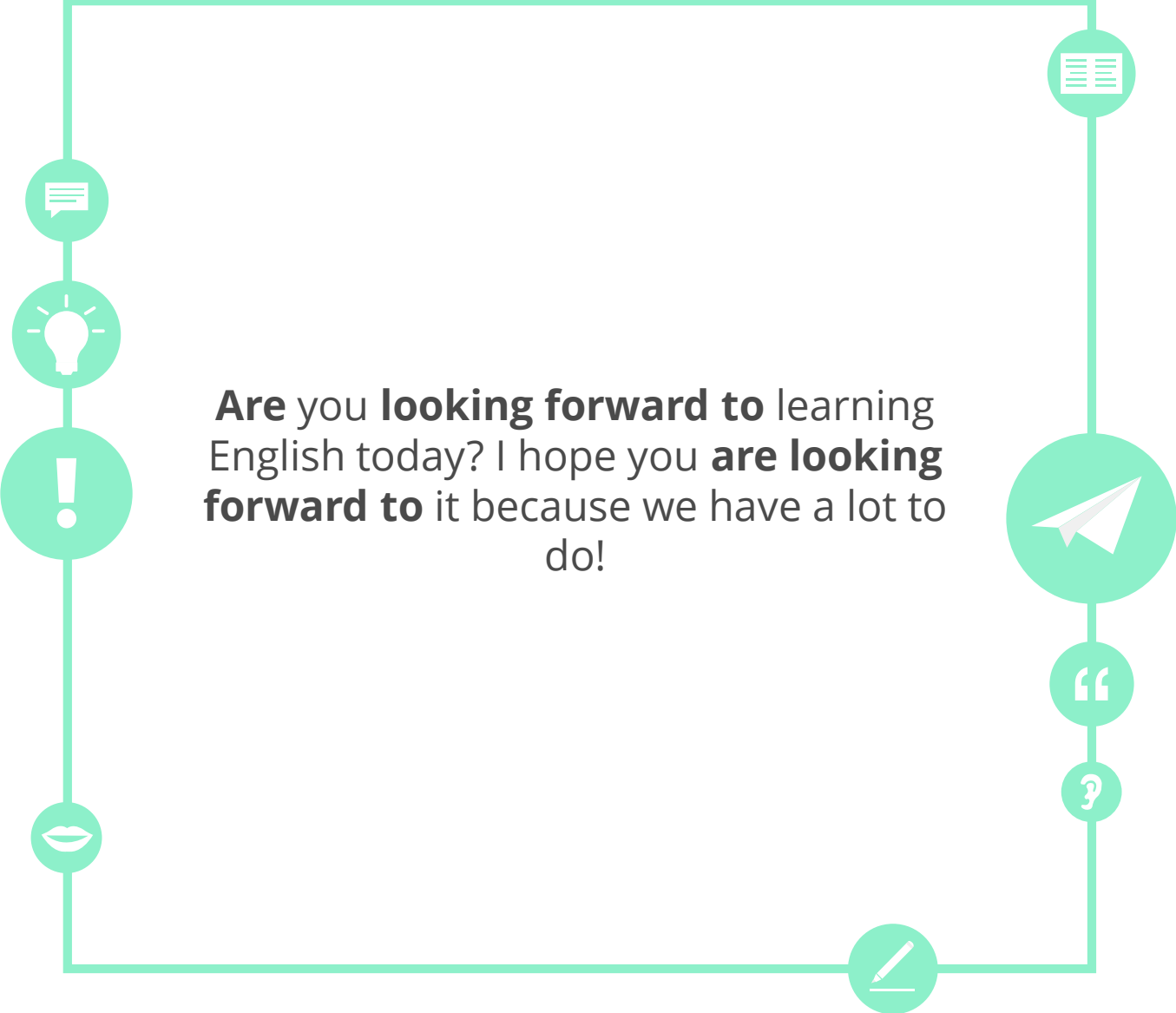




Goals

- Can correctly form a sentence with 'to be looking forward to' in combination with a noun or verb.
- Can differentiate between the 'to be looking forward to' and 'would like to'.





Are you looking forward to learning English today? I hope you **are looking forward to** it because we have a lot to do!



To be looking forward to

We use **to be looking forward to** when we talk about something we are excited about in the future. We can use it followed by a noun.

Are you looking forward to your trip?	Yes, I am looking forward to my trip.
Is he looking forward to our meeting?	Yes, he is looking forward to it.
Are they looking forward to school tomorrow?	No, they are not looking forward to school tomorrow.



Correct or incorrect?

CORRECT

INCORRECT

1. I am look forward to it.

2. He is looking forward to his holiday.

3. She is not look forward to her exam next week.

4. They are not looking forward to that.

5. We be not looking forward to lunch time.



What are you looking forward to?

I am looking forward to

I am not looking forward to

my exams

my holidays

my birthday

the dentist



Fill in the gaps

Use the words below to fill in the gaps

not

new job

forward

holiday

There are so many things to look _____ to in my life. I am looking forward to my _____ because it will be great to do something different. I am also looking forward to my _____ – my husband and I go somewhere hot every year. However, I am _____ looking forward to my English exam next week because I know it's going to be hard!





-ing verbs

We can also use **to be looking forward to** with an **-ing** verb.

Are you looking forward to seeing Bart later?	Yes, I am looking forward to seeing Bart later.
Is she looking forward to going to work tomorrow?	No, she is not looking forward to going to work tomorrow.
Are they looking forward to meeting your new boyfriend?	Yes, they are looking forward to meeting him.



Infinitive or *-ing*?



You already know that **to** is usually followed by an **infinitive**. **To be looking forward to** is an exception because it is followed by **-ing**. Look at the examples below. Remember that we use **to be looking forward to** for an event in the future.

I **like to go to bed** early on Sundays.

I **am looking forward to going** to bed early on Sunday.

I **love to eat** dinner in expensive restaurants.

I **am looking forward to eating** dinner in an expensive restaurant tomorrow.

I **prefer to watch** films at home, not in the cinema.

I **am looking forward to watching** that film at home.



Choose the correct option

1. He _____ seeing you tomorrow.

- a. is look forward to** **b. is looking forward to** **c. look forward to** **d. looking forward to**

2. They are looking forward to _____ on holiday.

- a. go** **b. be go** **c. going** **d. went**

3. I am looking forward to _____ coffee with him.

- a. having** **b. have** **c. be have** **d. be having**

4. We are looking forward to _____ English.

- a. learn** **b. are learn** **c. are learning** **d. learning**



Fill in the blanks



Are you looking forward _____ your holiday in the
USA?



Yes, we are. We are really _____ forward to going to
the museums in Washington D.C.



I think your husband _____ looking forward to that
too!



Complete the sentences

Complete the sentences with your own ideas.

1. Children always look forward to...
2. University students look forward to...
3. Parents often look forward to...
4. Grandparents look forward to...



Letters and emails

We can also use **to be looking forward to** when we write letters and emails. We use it at the end of our letter or email.

+ noun	+ ing
I am looking forward to your reply.	I am looking forward to hearing from you.
I am looking forward to your letter.	I am looking forward to getting your letter.



Informal style



- If you are writing an **informal** letter or email you can **miss out** the **first person subject** and the **first verb**. Look at the examples.

normal structure	informal
We are looking forward to hearing from you.	Looking forward to hearing from you.
I am looking forward to getting your letter.	Looking forward to getting your letter.



Can you find five mistakes in this letter?

Dear Sam,

Thank you for your letter. I am looking forward to see you in London next month. Tell me, what be you looking forward to doing there? I'm look forward to going on the London Eye. I think we are both looking forward eat fish and chips!

Looking forward for hearing from you soon!

James



Match the beginnings and the endings

1. She is looking forward to

a. forward to seeing you tomorrow.

2. He is

b. you looking forward to your birthday party?

3. Are

c. looking forward to hearing from you.

4. I am looking

d. to your reply.

5. We are looking forward

e. going to Spain.



To be looking forward to, to want to and would like to

- We use these expressions to talk about the future.
- **To be looking forward to** is for something which is already a plan. We are sure it is going to happen.
- **To want to** and **would like to** are for when something is not planned. We hope it will happen but we are not sure.

to be looking forward to	to want to	would like to
I am looking forward to going on holiday next month. I bought the tickets yesterday.	I want to go on holiday next month but I don't know if I can.	I would like to go on holiday next month but I don't know if I can.
She is looking forward to seeing Tom tomorrow.	I want to see Tom tomorrow but maybe he is busy.	I would like to see Tom tomorrow but maybe he is busy.



Noun, *-ing* or infinitive?



Remember! To **be looking forward to** is followed by a **noun** or **-ing**. To **want to** and **would like to** are followed by an **infinitive**.

<i>-ing</i> or noun	infinitive
I am looking forward to going to Italy.	I want to go to Italy.
We are looking forward to the football match.	We would like to watch the football match.



Change these sentences to use *to be looking forward to*

1. I want to stay in a hotel.



I am looking forward to staying in a hotel.

2. I would like to see you this evening.



3. I want to go to bed early.



4. I would like to visit another country.



5. I don't want to go to the dentist.





About you

What do you want to do or would you like to do in the future?



I want to...



I would like to...



What are these people looking forward to?

A



B



C



D





What are you looking forward to?

- What are you looking forward to? Tell the teacher. Then ask your classmates or your teacher.

Example: I'm looking forward to seeing my parents this weekend.

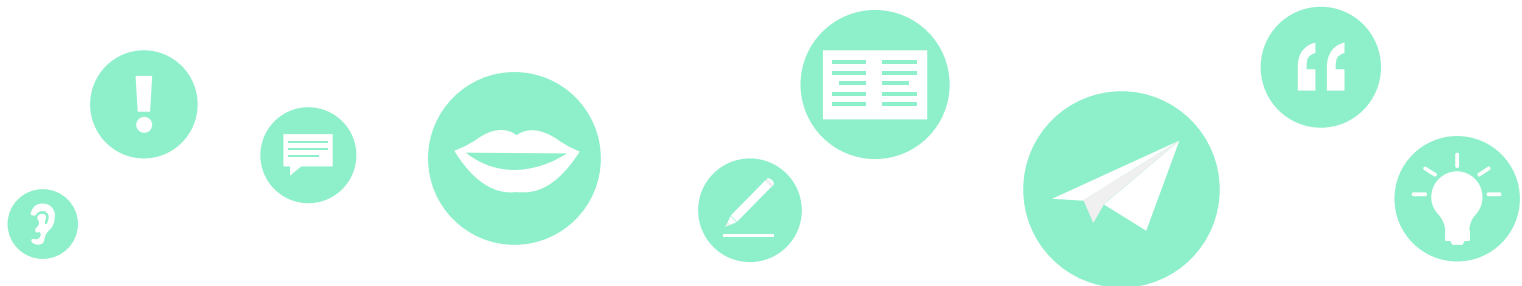


Reflect on the goals

Go back to the second slide of the lesson and check if you have achieved all the goals of the lesson.

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no

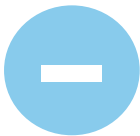




Reflect on this lesson

Think about everything you have seen in this lesson.
What were the most difficult activities or words? The easiest?



If you have time, go over
the most difficult slides again



Answer key (1/2)

Exercise p. 15

Dear Sam,

Thank you for your letter. I am looking

forward **to see (to seeing)** you in

London next month. Tell me, what **be**

(are) you looking forward to doing

there? I'm **look (looking)** forward to

going on the London Eye. I think we are

both looking forward **eat (to eating)**

fish and chips!

Looking forward **for (to)** hearing from

you soon!

James

Exercise p. 5

1. Incorrect, 2. Correct, 3. Incorrect, 4.

Correct, 5. Incorrect

Exercise p. 6

Possible answers: I am looking forward

to: holidays, birthday, I am not looking

forward to: the dentist, exams

Exercise p. 7

forward, new job, holiday, not

Exercise p. 10

1b, 2c, 3a, 4d

Exercise p. 11

to, looking, is



Answer key (2/2)

Exercise p. 16

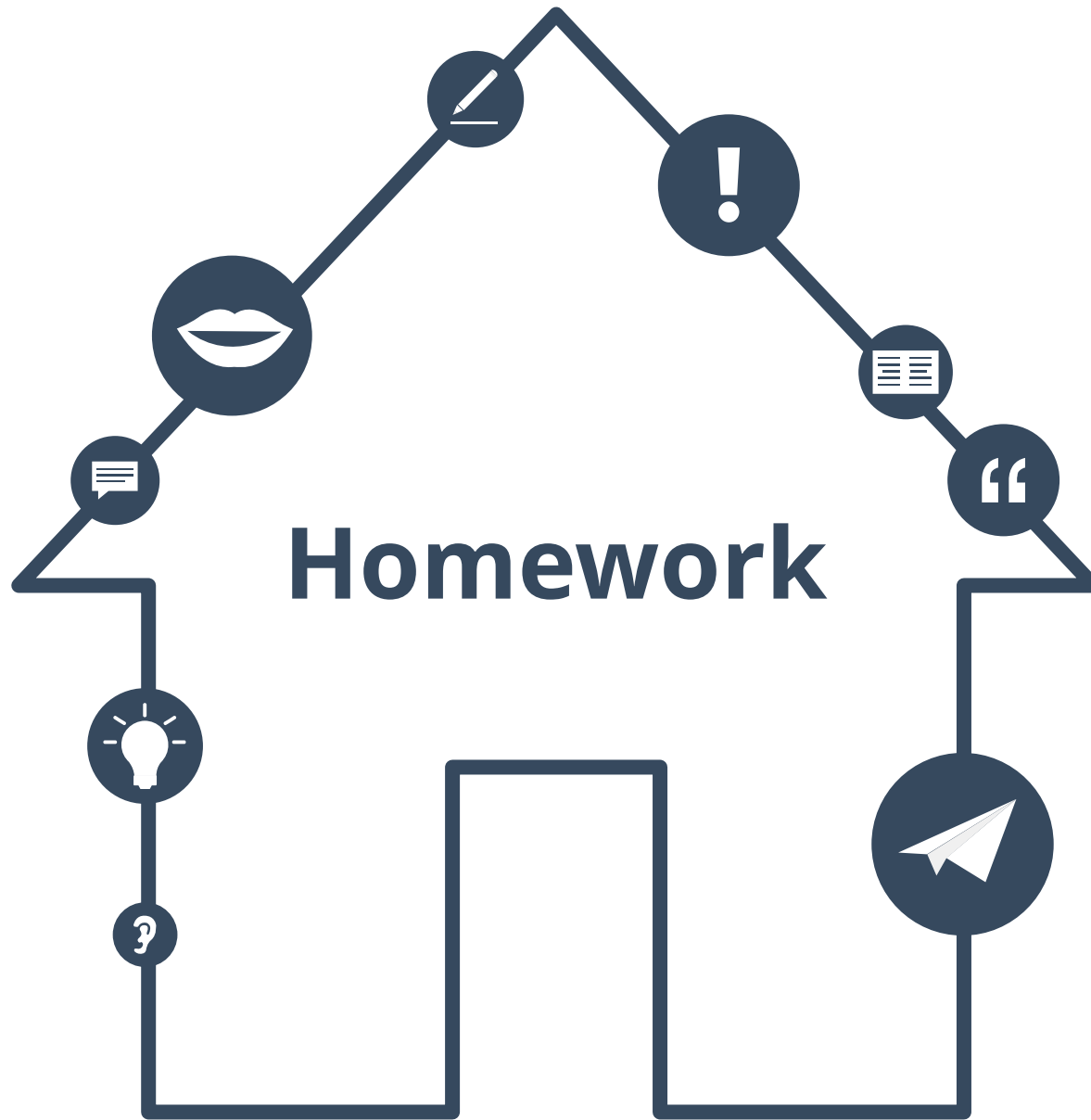
- 1e: She is looking forward to going to Spain.
- 2c: He is looking forward to hearing from you.
- 3b: Are you looking forward to your birthday party?
- 4a: I am looking forward to seeing you tomorrow.
- 5d: We are looking forward to your reply.

Exercise p. 19

- 2. I am looking forward to seeing you this evening. 3. I am looking forward to going to bed early. 4. I am looking forward to visiting another country. 5. I am not looking forward to going to the dentist.

Exercise p. 21

- Possible answers:
- A. She is looking forward to learning English. B. They are looking forward to moving house. C. She is looking forward to getting married. D. They are looking forward to visiting a new city.





Fill in the gaps

1. She is looking forward to _____ dinner.
2. They are looking forward to _____ home.
3. Tom is looking forward to _____ Alice.
4. Graham is _____ forward to meeting you.
5. We _____ looking forward to going to Australia.

looking

going

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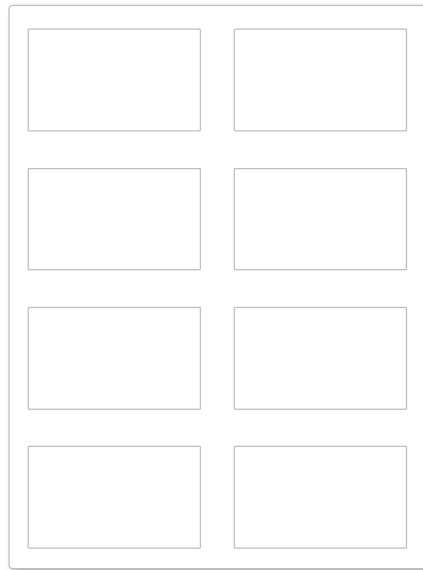
seeing

are



Make flashcards

Make flashcards out of paper and copy down four words or phrases from this lesson that are hard for you.





Make a list of sentences

Write down five sentences using *looking forward to*.

A graphic of a notepad with a spiral binding on the left side. The notepad has several horizontal lines for writing. A white sticky note with a light blue tab is attached to the top right of the notepad. The sticky note has the text "looking forward to..." written on it in a simple, sans-serif font.



Sentences using *would like to*

Rewrite your five sentences from the previous activity using *would like to* instead of *looking forward to*.





Example:





I am looking forward to seeing her.



→ I would like to see her.



















Homework answer key

Exercise p. 28

1. having, 2. going, 3. seeing, 4. looking, 5. are



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