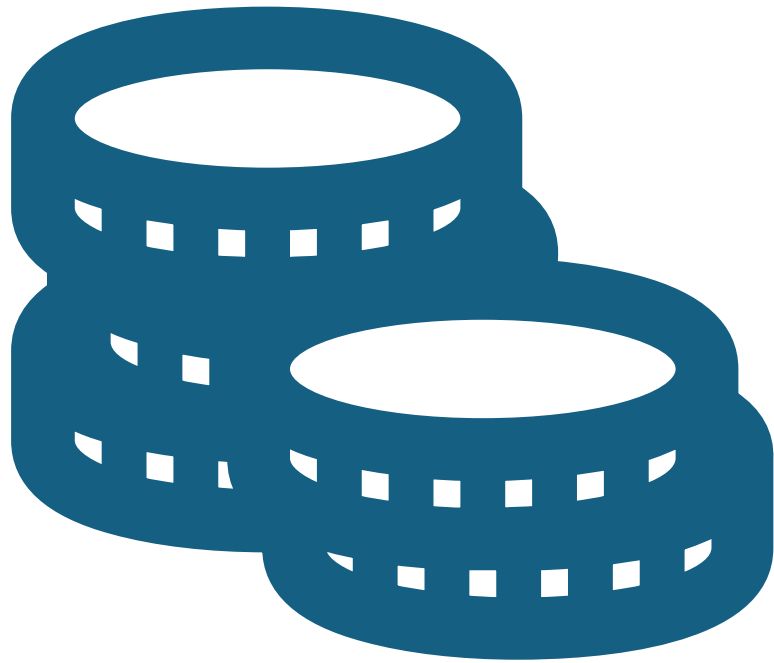




Financial Planning & Retirement

Let's Talk Finance



Welcome & Objectives

Welcome to **Let's Talk Finance: Financial Planning & Retirement**

Today, you will:

- Learn key vocabulary about long-term financial planning
- Practise **future forms** and **time phrases**
- Discuss saving goals and retirement strategies
- Compare options and prioritise future plans

Icebreaker – Thinking About the Future

- Do you think about saving for retirement or later life?
- What are your financial goals for the next 10–20 years?
- Do you believe in planning ahead or living in the moment?

Vocabulary – Long-Term Planning

Discuss the following terms with your tutor:

Term	Definition
pension	money received after retirement, usually monthly
retirement age	age when a person stops working
nest egg	money saved for later in life
life expectancy	how long a person is expected to live
financial advisor	expert who gives money-related advice
inflation	rise in prices over time

Question: Which of these do you hear about often in your country?

Vocabulary – Retirement Options

Define and discuss the following terms with your tutor:

- public/state pension
- private pension
- employer scheme
- retirement fund
- part-time retirement
- passive income (e.g. property, investments)

Question: What is the most common type of pension where you live?

Grammar – Future Forms

Understanding the grammar rule:

Form	Use	Example
will	predictions / promises	“I’ll start saving next year.”
going to	planned decisions	“I’m going to meet with an advisor.”
might	possibility	“I might retire early.”

Note: The use of time expressions can be: soon, later, in 10 years, by 60

Grammar Practice – Fill in the Gaps

Use **will**, **going to**, or **might** to complete the following sentences:

- I _____ invest in a pension scheme next year.
- She _____ retire before she turns 65.
- We _____ speak to a financial advisor soon.



Speaking – What Will You Do?

- What steps will you take to plan for the future?
- What might stop people from saving for retirement?
- Are you going to change your habits this year?



Vocabulary – Financial Milestones

Define and discuss the following terms with your tutor:

- get first job
- buy a house
- have children
- start a pension
- pay off debt
- Retire

Question: What do you think is the ideal age to do these?

Create a Life Timeline

Task:

Plan out your ideal **future goals and milestones** and create a personal timeline.

Think about your dreams, career, education, travel, or family goals.

Use **time expressions** like:

- *by 25, by 30*
- *in my 40s*
- *before I turn 65*
- *after 50, in my late 30s*

Try to Include:

- At least **4–6 milestones**
- Time expressions
- Short explanations

Example starter: “By the time I am 35, I’d like to own a flat...”

Then, swap with your tutor.



Grammar – Time Expressions

Understanding how to structure time expressions:

- by the time...
- in the future
- within 10 years
- before / after retirement
- during my career

Example:

“By the time I’m 60, I hope to have a nest egg.”

“During retirement, I’d like to travel.”



Grammar Practice – Match Sentences & Time Phrases

Can you match the sentences to the correct time phrases?

Sentence	Time Expression
I'll stop working	during retirement
I'll travel with my savings	in the next few years
I'm going to start a private pension	by the time I'm 65



Vocabulary – Risks & Considerations

Define and discuss the following terms with your tutor:

- rising costs
- poor planning
- medical expenses
- late saving
- outliving savings
- pension gap

Question: What can people do to avoid these problems?

Planning Ahead

Read the passage below with your tutor:

“Maria started saving at 25. She contributed to her employer’s pension scheme monthly. At 60, she had a strong nest egg. She now travels twice a year and lives comfortably. Her advice: start early.”

Questions:

What helped Maria succeed? Do you agree with this method?

What would happen if she had waited? Would you follow Maria’s advice?



Activity – Retirement Plan Match

Match people to the right plan:

Person	Best Option
23-year-old with part-time job	focus on savings access
45-year-old freelancer	start small with a personal fund
62-year-old retiring soon	private plan + investment

Grammar – Future Questions

How to use and structure future forms in questions:

- What will you do after you retire?
- Are you going to work part-time in the future?
- Might you move to another country?

Question: Which question feels most relevant to your plans?

Role-Play: You're the Financial Advisor

Scenario:

Student plays a **financial advisor** and **tutor** plays an **adult planning to retire in 10 years**, who is unsure how to prepare and want some friendly advice.

Task: Ask future-focused questions and give gentle suggestions using these phrases:

Example starters for financial advisor:

“You’ll need to start thinking about...”

“Are you planning to...”

Example starters for adult planning to retire in 10 years:

“I haven’t really thought about...”

“What would you suggest if I want...”

Then, swap roles with your tutor!



Error Correction – Future Forms

Have a go at fixing the errors:

- “I going to retire by 55.”
- “He might to need more savings.”
- “We’ll travels during retirement.”



Activity – Prioritise Your Financial Goals

Create an imaginary list of 5 long-term goals (e.g. buying home, retirement, travelling, paying debt)

Task: Put them in order of priority and explain why they are in that particular order.

Example starter:

“First, I want to clear my debt. Then I’ll focus on...”

Then, swap with your tutor.

