

B1.10 The Future - Handout

- 1** These two people represent *optimistic* (the man) and *pessimistic* (the woman) opinions about the future. This language will perhaps be useful later as you go on to discuss possible future scenarios.
- 2** These sentences all describe possible future events related to you and your partner's personal lives. Therefore, they should enable you to get to know each other better. "Will" or "going to" can be used more or less interchangeably here as both can be used to make predictions about the future.
- 3** These sentences refer to events on a much larger scale and should allow for some discussion of current affairs. Key vocabulary includes: *economy, break up, AIDS vaccine, global warming, nuclear weapons, female priests, Roman Catholic, fossil fuels, life expectancy, water shortage and economic inequality*.
- 4** These pictures should stimulate some interesting predictions about how the events portrayed will develop.
- 5** As usual, if you talk about which picture your partner is going to select and which events they will describe in the ensuing writing task, then this should help your partner to write the paragraph successfully.