be going to, Present Continuous with future meaning

A Fill in the blanks with the correct form of be going to.

1. I ................................................ (buy) a new watch soon.
2. You ................................................ (not finish) the painting in a week.
3. ................................................ (marry) Alice one day?
4. The snow ................................................ (melt) tomorrow.
5. ...................... the shopkeeper ...................... (close) his shop for the holiday?
6. You and your team ................................................ (not win) the game.

B Write questions using be going to and the words below. Then answer the questions using the words in brackets.

1. it / snow / tomorrow
   (rain) 
   Is it going to snow tomorrow?
   No, it isn’t. It’s going to rain.

2. our neighbours / go on holiday
   (stay at home) 

3. Mum / make a cake / for my birthday
   (buy) 

4. I / cry / at the show
   (laugh) 

C Brian Jones is a space scientist. He is going to have a busy week. Look at the pictures and complete the paragraph with the Present Continuous form of the verbs below.

On Monday, I (1) .............................. to London and two scientists (2) .............................. me.
On Wednesday, I (3) ...................... three classes in New York. Some reporters (4) ...................... to talk to me on Thursday. I (5) ...................... an article for a newspaper on Friday. On Saturday, I (6) ...................... to some young people who want to become astronauts.

D Answer the questions about yourself. Write full sentences.

1. What are you going to eat later today?
   ..........................................................

2. What are you doing on Saturday afternoon?
   ..........................................................

3. Who is making dinner at your house tonight?
   ..........................................................

4. Which class are you going to be in next year?
   ..........................................................
**be going to, Present Continuous with future meaning – Answers**

**A**
1 am going to buy
2 aren’t going to finish
3 Are ... going to marry
4 is going to melt
5 Is ... going to close
6 aren’t going to win

**B**
1 Is it going to snow tomorrow?
   No, it isn’t. It’s going to rain.
2 Are our neighbours going to go on holiday?
   No, they aren’t. They’re going to stay at home.
3 Is Mum going to make a cake for my birthday?
   No, she isn’t. She’s going to buy a cake.
4 Am I going to cry at the show?
   No, I’m not. I’m going to laugh. /
   No, you aren’t. You’re going to laugh.

**C**
1 am flying 4 are coming
2 are meeting 5 am writing
3 am teaching 6 am talking

**D** Accept all logical and grammatically correct answers.