

GRAMMAR FOCUS

Future with *be going to* and *will*

Use *be going to* + verb for plans you've decided on.

What are you **going to** do?

I'm **going to** relax at the beach.

We're **going to** go surfing every day.

I'm not **going to** do anything special.

Use *will* + verb for possible plans before you've made a decision.

What are you **going to** do?

I'm not sure. I **guess** I'll just **stay** home.

Maybe I'll **take** a course.

I don't know. I **think** I'll **go** camping.

I **probably won't go** anywhere.

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A Complete the conversation with appropriate forms of *be going to* or *will*. Then compare with a partner.

1. **A:** Have you made any vacation plans?

B: Well, I've decided on one thing – I _____ take a bike tour.

A: That's great! For how long?

B: I _____ be away for about a week. I need to take some time off.

A: So, when are you leaving?

B: I'm not sure. I _____ probably leave around the end of next month.

A: And where _____ you _____ go?

B: I haven't thought about that yet. I guess I _____ go down south.

A: That sounds like fun. _____ you _____ buy a new bicycle?

B: I'm not sure. Actually, I probably _____ buy one – I don't have enough money right now. I guess I _____ rent one.

A: _____ you _____ go with anyone?

B: No. I need some time alone. I _____ travel by myself.

2. **A:** What are your plans for the holiday weekend?

B: I _____ visit my parents.

A: What _____ you _____ do there?

B: Nothing much. I _____ hang out with some old school friends. And we _____ probably have a barbecue on Sunday.

A: That sounds like fun. When _____ you _____ leave?

B: I'm not sure yet. I _____ probably leave on Friday night if I don't need to work on Saturday.

A: _____ you _____ fly there?

B: I wish I could, but it's too expensive. I guess I _____ take the train.

A: _____ you _____ go alone?

B: Maybe my brother _____ go, too. He hasn't decided yet.

A: Do you know when you are coming back?

B: I think I _____ come back on Monday.

A: Good. Then we can have dinner together on Monday.