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The Future of Space Travel

Discover Grammar

A Listen and read. 02



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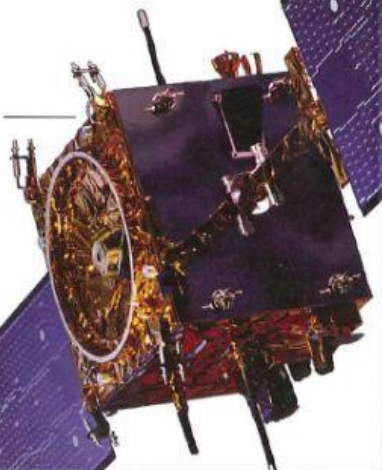
Scientists predict the future of space travel.

- Q Will ordinary people travel into space in the next five years?
- A No, they won't. Trips today cost thousands of dollars. Ordinary people won't have enough money. But scientists predict space travel will be cheaper in 20 years. And then space tourism will grow.
- Q How will tourists travel into space?
- A I think scientists will build new spacecraft. They'll build spaceports, too. A spaceport is like a station for trains, or a port for ships!
- Q Will tourists stay in space?
- A Yes, they will. People will build space hotels.

B Read again. Underline three questions with *will*, two negative sentences with *won't*, and six affirmative sentences with *will*.

C Are the sentences true or false? Write *T* (true) or *F* (false).

- 1 Ordinary people will travel into space in the next five years. _____
- 2 Space travel will be more expensive in 20 years. _____
- 3 Space tourism will grow in the future. _____
- 4 Space tourists will travel in old spacecraft. _____
- 5 Scientists will build spaceports. _____
- 6 Tourists will stay in space hotels. _____



Learn Grammar

A Read and learn.

Predictions with Will

Use *will* or the short form *'ll* and the infinitive to make a prediction. A prediction is something we believe about the future. We often use it after *I think*, or *I believe*.

*I think scientists **will build** new spacecraft.*

Will is the same for each person. It doesn't change.

*Space tourism **will** grow.*

*They **'ll** build spaceports, too.*

***Will** space tourism grow? Yes, it **will**. / No, it **won't**.*

*How **will** people get to the moon? On fast spacecraft.*

*Where **will** people sleep on the moon? In space hotels.*

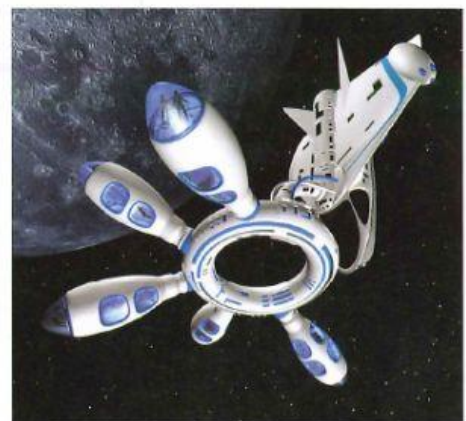
Use *will not* or the short form *won't* and the infinitive to make a negative prediction.

*Ordinary people **won't have** enough money.*



B Check the correct sentences.

- 1 a Tourists will stay in space hotels. ☐
- b Tourists will to stay in space hotels. ☐
- 2 a A spacecraft wills be fast and comfortable. ☐
- b A spacecraft will be fast and comfortable. ☐
- 3 a Astronauts won't wear spacesuits. ☐
- b Astronauts won't to wear spacesuits. ☐
- 4 a Will tourists to visit the planets? ☐
- b Will tourists visit the planets? ☐



C Complete the questionnaire with *will* or *won't*.

Space Questionnaire

Tell us your predictions for the future of space travel for the next 20 years!

Q ¹ _____ astronauts return to the moon?

A Yes, they ² _____. Astronauts ³ _____ return to the moon very soon.

Q ⁴ _____ astronauts land on Mars one day?

A Yes, they ⁵ _____. But they ⁶ _____ land on other planets in the next 20 years.

Q ⁷ _____ people have spacecraft at home?

A No, they ⁸ _____! That would be crazy!

Answers by Sam, age 10

D Write the sentences. Use *will* and *won't*.

Tell us more! What will your life be like?

1 my parents / build / a house / on the moon

2 we / go / on vacation / in space

3 my brother / have / his own spacecraft

4 I / not stay / on Earth

5 I / fly / around the galaxy

Answers by Mara, age 10

E Listen and complete the questions. 03



1 Mara _____ tourists _____ in space?

Sam They'll travel in space planes.

2 Mara What about robots? _____ robots _____ the spacecraft?

Sam Hmm. No, they won't. I think astronauts will drive the spacecraft.

3 Mara _____ tourists _____ on space trips?

Sam Yes, they will. They'll go on trips to the moon and Mars.

F Act it out.

G Write the questions. Use *will*.

1 Sam they / build / a hotel / on the moon / ?

Mara Yes, they will! It will be fantastic!

2 Sam it / have / a swimming pool / ?

Mara Yes, it will. It'll have a movie theater, too.

3 Sam where / people / eat / ?

Mara They'll eat in space restaurants. It'll be great!

4 Sam people / go / on moon walks / ?

Mara Yes, they will. It will be so much fun!

H Complete the text with *will* or *won't* and the verbs in parentheses.

My Space Hotel

In 2030, they ¹ _____ (build) a hotel on the moon. People
² _____ (travel) there by space plane. It ³ _____ (not be)
cold inside the hotel. They ⁴ _____ (use) special computers,
and it will be sunny all the time. Tourists ⁵ _____ (not feel)
bored. They ⁶ _____ (play) sports and watch films about
space. They ⁷ _____ (look) at the stars and go on space trips.
It ⁸ _____ (be) amazing!

Let's Write!

I Write predictions for your life in the next 20 years.

In the next 20 years, I will go to college.
