

# 10C What's going to happen?

## It's written in the cards

### PART 1

"Come in," said a voice. Jane Ross opened the door and went into a small room. There was a man sitting behind a table.

"Good afternoon," said Jane.

"I want to see Madame Yolanda, the fortune-teller."

"Madame Yolanda isn't here today," said the man.

"But don't worry. I'm going to tell you about your future. What questions do you want to ask?" Jane looked at the fortune-teller. She couldn't see him very well because the room was very dark.

### PART 3

He turned over the second card.

"Hmm, a house. A new house. You're going to move, very soon, to another country."

"But my boyfriend works here. He can't move to another country."

"Let's look at the next card," said the fortune-teller. He turned over the third card.

"A heart. You're going to fall in love."

"With who?" asked Jane.

"Let me concentrate. I can see a tall man. He's very attractive."

"Oh, that's Jim," said Jane.

"Who's Jim? Your boyfriend?"

"No. Jim's a man I met at a party last month. He's an actor, from New York. He says he's in love with me. It was his idea for me to come to Madame Yolanda."

"Well, the card says that you're going to fall in love with him."

"Are you sure?" asked Jane. "But what about my boyfriend?"

"Let's look at the fourth card," said the fortune-teller.

### PART 5

The fortune-teller stood up. He turned on the light. At that moment, an old woman came in. "So, what happened?" she asked.

"It was perfect! She believed everything," said Jim.

"I told you, I'm a very good actor. She was sure I was a fortune-teller!"

He gave the woman \$100.

"That's Jane's \$50 and another \$50 from me. Thanks very much, Madame Yolanda. Bye."

Madame Yolanda took the money. The fifth card was still on the table, facedown. She turned it over. It was the plane. She looked at it for a minute and then she shouted:

"Wait, young man! Don't travel with that girl – her plane is going to..."

But the room was empty.

## GRAMMAR be going to (predictions)

Look at these two sentences. Which one is a plan? Which one is a prediction?

- 1 She's going to be very lucky.
- 2 She's going to go on vacation next week.

Write four predictions, about the **weather, sports, your town / country, and you**. Use *I think...going to...*  
*I think it's going to snow tonight.*

Compare your predictions with a partner. Do you agree?

## SPEAKING

Role-play fortune-telling.

**A** Look at the ten cards in 1. Secretly, number the cards 1–10 in a different order.

**B** Choose five numbers between 1 and 10.

**A** Predict **B**'s future using those cards.

**B** Ask for more information. Then change roles.

**A** *I'm going to tell you about your future. Your first card is a star. You're going to become famous. You're going to be on TV...*

**B** *Great! What show?*

## 5.23 SONG Fortune Teller

### Fortune Teller

Went to the fortune-teller, had my fortune read;  
I didn't know what to tell her; I had a dizzy feeling in my head.  
Took a look at my palm; she said, "Son, you feel kind of warm."  
She looked into a crystal ball; she said, "You're in love."  
How could that be so? I thought of all the girls I know;  
She said when the next one arrives, you'll be looking into her eyes.

Oh, yes.

Left there in a hurry, looking forward to my big surprise.  
The next day I discovered that the fortune-teller told me a lie.  
I hurried back down to that woman as mad as I could be;  
I said I didn't see nobody. Why had she made a fool out of me?  
Then something struck me as if it came from up above;  
While looking at the fortune-teller I fell in love.

Now I'm a happy feller cause I'm married to the fortune-teller,  
And I'm as happy as we can be, and now I get my fortune told for free.