Grammar *will/be going to* for predictions and decisions

4 Choose the best future form to complete the sentences.

1 There are no clouds in the sky. It *won't* / *isn't going to* rain today, so let's go to the beach.
2 In the future, ordinary people *won't* / *aren't going to* be able to travel abroad as inexpensively as people do now.
3 The tourist board have plans for the island. They *'ll* / *'re going to* build new hotels there.
4 Your suitcase looks really heavy. *I'll* / *'m going to* carry it upstairs for you if you like.
5 We've had a look at the brochure and decided on a hotel. We *'ll* / *'re going to* stay on the coast.

5a Read the extract from a radio travel programme. Complete the sentences with *will* or *going to* in the correct affirmative form. Use contractions with pronouns as in the example.

TRAVEL THE WORLD

Next week, on Travel the World, I [1] *'m going to* visit an unspoilt island in the Pacific where islanders face a difficult choice. A major hotel chain has offered a lot of money to build a luxury hotel, and they [2] _____ start construction next year. At least, that's their plan. The islanders have the final say, and they [3] _____ hold a meeting to discuss all the issues. We hope to be there to hear what they think. Currently, nobody knows what they [4] _____ decide to do. Many people believe that tourism [5] _____ bring unwanted pollution and large, ugly buildings to the island. At the same time, others believe it [6] _____ create jobs and introduce shops and services. On other islands nearby, for example, the arrival of tourism has resulted in the destruction of coral reefs and the islanders' traditional way of life; but people are richer and have more opportunities. Clearly, the choice isn't an easy one. I [7] _____ see you next week. Goodbye from paradise.

b **4.1** Listen to the extract and check.

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