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Vote for the man who promises least – he'll be the least disappointing.
Bernard Baruch, American political adviser

I'll always love you

2 GRAMMAR *will / won't* (promises, offers, and decisions)

a Write sentences using the pictures and prompts.

Use *I'll / I won't*



1 think / go to bed

I think I'll go to bed.

2 turn off / the air-conditioning

_____?

3 not drive / too fast

_____.

4 buy / another one

_____.

5 call / the police

_____.

6 have / the chicken

_____.

b Are these sentences promises (P), decisions (D), or offers (O)?

- 1 I'll give it back to you tomorrow. P
- 2 A Which one do you want?
B I'll take the red one. —
- 3 I'll lend you the money if you want. —
- 4 I'll help you with that. —
- 5 I won't tell your father. —
- 6 I'll have the soup and a salad. —

3 VOCABULARY verb + *back*

Complete the sentences with these verbs.

be call drive give pay take

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*Gone to the bank.
I'll _____ be _____ back
in ten minutes.*

- 2 Mary called while you were in the shower. She asked you to _____ her back when you can.
- 3 Can you lend me \$10? I'll _____ you back tomorrow.

- 4 We were driving to the beach, but it started to rain, so we decided to _____ back home.
- 5 A Do you want to borrow my pen?
B Thanks. I'll _____ it back to you in a minute.
- 6 This shirt is the wrong size. I think I'll _____ it back to the store.

4 READING

A hard lesson

My name is Jon, and this happened to me when I was on vacation in Seville, in the south of Spain.

I was having coffee in a cafe when a man came up to me. He was well-dressed, and he looked very respectable. "Do you speak English?" he asked. He definitely wasn't Spanish, but I'm not sure where he was from. "I'm very sorry to bother you, but I have a serious problem," he continued. "I'm here on a business trip, and I've lost my briefcase – it had my passport, my wallet, my money, my credit cards, my cell phone, my

wallet, my money, my credit cards, my cell phone, my address book, everything. Could you help me? I need to borrow 60 euros to get the train to Madrid – my company has an office there. I'll pay you back, of course. When I get home, I'll send you the money. You can give me your address in the US." I wasn't sure, but he didn't seem suspicious, so I agreed. I wrote down my home address on a business card he had, and I gave him 60 euros. I even bought him a coffee.

We talked for a few minutes, and then he looked at his watch and said, "Well, I should get to the station. Thank you very much for your help. You'll have your money back in a couple of weeks, I promise." And he walked out of the cafe.

So ... do you think he paid me back? No, you're right, he didn't ... and I won't lend money to strangers again!

a Read the text. Number the sentences in the right order.

- 1 Jon wrote his address on the man's business card.
- 2 The man explained his problem.
- 3 Jon bought the man a coffee.
- 4 Jon went into a cafe to get a cup of coffee.
- 5 Jon agreed to help the man.
- 6 A man came up to him.
- 7 The man left the cafe.
- 8 They talked about other things for a few minutes.