# 8.5 GRAMMAR

*be going to*

*I can use be going to to talk about personal plans for the future.*

**1 SPEAKING Look at the photos, read the conversation and answer the questions.**

1 What plans has Hannah got for the summer holidays?
2 Who thinks it's a good idea?
3 Would you like to go on a holiday like this? Why?



**Bob**
33 days 16 hours 46 minutes left till the holidays! What are you going to do this summer? Any plans?
Yesterday at 22.14



**Hannah**
I'm going to work as a volunteer in the Scottish Highlands.
2 hours ago



**Ben**
??
2 hours ago



**Hannah**
I'm going to look after Highland ponies … and the people who want to ride them but don't know how to ride!
1 hours ago



**Ben**
Are they going to pay you?
30 minutes ago



**Hannah**
No, they aren't. But I'm going to ride for free in the mountains!



25 minutes ago



**Carol**
Can I go too?

**2 Complete the GRAMMAR FOCUS with the verbs in blue in Exercise 1.**

## GRAMMAR FOCUS 35

*going to*

You use **be** + **going to** + **infinitive** to talk about plans.

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| + | I [1] 'm going to work as a volunteer.<br>He's going to work as a trainer. |
| – | They aren't going to pay me. |
| ? | What [2] _____ you _____ to do this summer?<br>[3] _____ they _____ to pay you?<br>Yes, they are./No, they aren't. |

**3 3.54 Listen and choose the person who is going to do the action: *Lucy* or *Luke*.**

| | Lucy | Luke |
|---|---|---|
| 1 stay with his/her cousin in Wales | | |
| 2 go walking in the mountains | | |
| 3 visit a castle | | |
| 4 study for a test | | |
| 5 play tennis | | |
| 6 see the new James Bond film | | |

**4 Write sentences from the prompts. Use the correct forms of *be (not) going to*.**

1 Lucy / stay with her cousin in Wales
2 Luke / go walking in the mountains
3 Luke / study for a Geography test
4 Lucy / play tennis
5 Luke / visit a Welsh castle
6 Lucy and Luke / see the new James Bond film

**5 Write questions from the prompts and *be going to*. Then match them with answers a–e.**

1 What / you / do this evening? (e)
*What are you going to do this evening?*
2 you / do anything interesting / this weekend? ( )
3 What / you / do / this summer? ( )
4 you / go to university / after you finish school? ( )
5 Where / you / live / when you're at university? ( )

a Yes, I am. I'm going to study Biology at Leeds University.
b I'm going to travel around Europe with a friend.
c I don't know! Probably with my parents!
d Not really. I'm going to study.
e I think I'm going to go to bed early. I'm really tired.

**6 SPEAKING Ask and answer the questions in Exercise 5.**

**7 Complete the statements with *be going to* so they are true for you.**

1 This weekend, I'm going to visit ...
2 My friend ...
3 This year, my parents ...
4 In the next school holidays, my family ...
5 When we leave school, my friends and I ...

## FOCUS VLOG 36 Your plans

36 **Watch the Focus Vlog. For the worksheet, go to page 123.**

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