Grammar Focus – Future Plans & Predictions

◇ 1. Will ('ll) → Predictions & Spontaneous Decisions

- Use *will* when making predictions based on opinion or belief.
- Also used for decisions made at the moment of speaking.

☑ Examples:

- *I think my team **will win** the next tournament.* (Prediction)
- *I forgot my water bottle! I **will buy** one at the gym.* (Spontaneous decision)

◇ 2. Going to → Intentions & Predictions Based on Evidence

- Use *going to* for future plans and intentions.
- Also used for predictions based on **present evidence**.

☑ Examples:

- *I **am going to train** harder next season.* (Intention)
- *Look at those dark clouds! It **is going to rain** soon.* (Prediction based on evidence)

◇ 3. Present Continuous → Fixed Plans & Arrangements

- Use the **present continuous** (am/is/are + verb+ing) for **confirmed, scheduled** events in the near future.

☑ Examples:

- *We **are playing** in a tournament next month.* (Arranged event)
- *She **is meeting** her coach tomorrow morning.* (Fixed plan)

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Practice: Choose Between Two Future Tenses

1. A: Have you decided what to do after this season?

   B: Yes, I _____ (join) a new team in Italy next year.

2. Look at the scoreboard! Our team is winning. We _____ (win) this match for sure!

3. A: Did you bring your knee pads?

   B: No, I forgot them! I _____ (borrow) some from my teammate.

4. She trained really hard this year, so she _____ (be) one of the best players next season.

5. I have already talked to my coach, and we _____ (practice) with a new strategy next week.

6. I think volleyball _____ (become) even more popular in the next 10 years.

7. A: What are your plans for the summer?

   B: I _____ (travel) to Spain for a training camp.

8. Oh no! The ball is coming straight at me! I _____ (try) to block it!

9. A: Did you hear about Sarah?

   B: Yes! She _____ (play) for the national team next year.

10. If we win this match, we _____ (celebrate) all night!

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🏐 Fill-in-the-Gap Dialogue: Volleyball Team Talk

(Complete using **will**, **going to**, or **present continuous**.)

🗣️ **Coach:** Hey team, let's talk about our upcoming matches! Lucy, I heard you _____ (train) with a personal coach next month.

🏐 **Lucy:** Yes! I _____ (work) on my serves to improve my game.

🗣️ **Coach:** That's great! And we _____ (have) a friendly match against the Red Falcons next Friday, so let's prepare well.

🏐 **Jake:** Oh, that's exciting! I think we _____ (win) if we play like last time.

🗣️ **Coach:** That's the spirit, Jake! But don't underestimate them—they _____ (come) stronger this season.

🏐 **Lucy:** What about our international tournament?

🗣️ **Coach:** Well, the schedule isn't confirmed yet, but I believe we _____ (travel) to Brazil in July.

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