

8.6

Speaking

Expressing probability

1 8.2 Listen and repeat the phrases.

SPEAKING Expressing probability

- ① I will **definitely** pass.
- I will **probably** pass.
- I **may/might** pass.
- I **probably** won't pass.
- I **definitely** won't pass.

2 Order the words in brackets to complete the sentences.

a I will definitely go (will/definitely/I/go) to bed early tonight.

b _____ (go/might/I) shopping tomorrow.

c _____ (won't/watch/definitely/I) the horror film.

d _____ (probably/finish/won't/I) this essay today.

e _____ (will/email/probably/I) some friends this evening.

3 Write sentences about pictures 1–7.



1 I'll definitely learn to play the guitar.

2 _____ lots of money.

3 _____ to drive.

4 _____ a house.

5 _____ two children.

6 _____ on safari.

7 _____ a marathon.

✓✓ – will definitely ? – may/might XX – definitely won't
 ?✓ – will probably ?✗ – probably won't



4 8.3 Complete the dialogue with sentences a–e. Then listen and check.

A: Hi, Beth! The Rubies are playing in town tonight at the Grange Theatre. Mike and I are going. Would you like to come too?

B: Oh, I'm not sure. ¹ b If I finish early, I'll come.

A: Oh, Beth. The Rubies are more important than work. ² I know! I can help you with your work.

B: Brilliant! ³ What time are you and Mike going?

A: ⁴ I'm going to phone him in a moment to confirm. Do you want to meet us there?

B: ⁵ I only get home from swimming at 7.20. How about I meet you inside at 7.45?

A: OK. Let me help you with that work now!

a I definitely won't be there by 7.30.

b I might come, but I've got a lot of work.

c We'll probably meet outside the Grange about 7.30.

d They probably won't come to our town again for a long time.

e Then I'll definitely come!

5 Order sentences a–e from Exercise 4 (1 = most certain to happen, 5 = least certain to happen).

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