

Modal Verbs

Read the following dialogues



- Hello, Tanaka, how are you?
- Very well, and you? I'm happy that summer holidays are coming soon.
- That's so good. What will you do this summer?
- I'll go to the village to visit my grandparents. I'll also go to a summer-camp with my brother in August. What about you?
- I am going to the beach with my friends next week, and I am going to spend some time doing handicrafts, you know I love it.
- Oh, you're going to the beach next week.
- Yes, why don't you come with us? It will be great.
- Sure!

- Hi Stephen, how are you doing?
- I'm ok, what about you?
- Well, you know, summer is coming next week.
- It sounds great! What will you do this summer?
- I don't have any plans yet. I think I'll go to the beach with my family, we will go to Dorset.
- Oh, Dorset, I went there last year. This summer I'm going to stay in London and play sports with friends.
- Why don't we play online computer games together? You know, Fortnite.
- It sounds good! I'm going to send you a friend request this afternoon, so we can play together.



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	Main similarities	Main differences
<i>Will</i>	❖ They express the future.	❖ <i>Will</i> refers to a future event, or to promises or predictions.
<i>Be going to</i>	❖ They can be contracted (I will = I'll // I am going to = I'm going to)	❖ <i>Be going to</i> refers to a fixed event in the future, or to express the speaker's intention.

Answer the following questions with words and collocations from the boxes, following the pattern “time + will/begoing to + verb + (...)” as in the examples below.

In some years time
Tomorrow morning
This evening
In some minutes

See a horror film at home
Study at the University
Go to the dentist
Turn the fan on

- Tanaka, what are you going to do this summer?
- This summer I will go to the village to visit my family.

- Stephen, what are you going to do tomorrow?
- Tomorrow I am going to play computer games at home.

- Harper, what are you going to do this evening?
- _____. So scary!

- Jennifer, what are you going to do tomorrow morning?
- _____. I have to go there once a year.

- Sarah, where will you study in some years time?
- _____. I want to study medicine and become a doctor.

- James, it is too hot in here, will you turn the fan on now?
- Yes, _____.

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Notice: the negative form of *will* is *will not*, or its contracted form *won't*. While *will not* is considered a formal expression, *won't* is used in informal contexts and conversations.

Fill in the blanks with *will* or *won't*.

- ❖ It's 10pm, but I _____ go to bed now, I'm going to spend some time watching my favourite series.
- ❖ I'm very hungry, I think I _____ have a slice of pizza and a big salad.
- ❖ Your room is too hot, Peter, I think you _____ need to open the window.
- ❖ I have a Geography exam tomorrow, so I _____ spend some time studying it today evening.
- ❖ I went to the beach last summer, but I _____ go to the beach this summer, I think I will stay at home and play sports with friends in the city.
- ❖ If it rains tomorrow, we _____ be able to go running together.

Read this short text and answer the *true or false* questions below.



This summer I am going to spend two months with my parents in my hometown. We are going to go to the beach every week, and I will learn to how to snorkel for the first time in my life.

Also, I am going to go camping with my friends next week. We are going to the mountains in the evening and see the stars at night, it will be so beautiful!

Surely, I will also spend some time playing online computer games and make group video calls with some acquaintances as well. It's going to be a nice summer!

- This teenager is going to travel abroad these summer holidays.
- She will go to a local swimming pool with her family.
- She is going to spend some time in nature with friends.
- She will spend some time playing videogames online.
- She is an introverted and shy person.
- She is happy that summer holidays are coming soon.

False