

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.

- What plans has Hannah got for the summer holidays?
- Who thinks it's a good idea?
- 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.

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going to

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

- + I **'m going to** work as a volunteer.
He **'s going to** work as a trainer.
- They **aren't going to** pay me.
- ? What ² _____ you _____ **to** do this summer?
³ _____ they _____ **to** pay you?
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**.

- Lucy / stay with her cousin in Wales
- Luke / go walking in the mountains
- Luke / study for a Geography test
- Lucy / play tennis
- Luke / visit a Welsh castle
- 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.

- What / you / do this evening? ☒ e
- you / do anything interesting / this weekend? ☐
- What / you / do / this summer? ☐
- you / go to university / after you finish school? ☐
- Where / you / live / when you're at university? ☐

- Yes, I am. I'm going to study Biology at Leeds University.
- I'm going to travel around Europe with a friend.
- I don't know! Probably with my parents!
- Not really. I'm going to study.
- 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.

- This weekend, I'm going to visit ...
- My friend ...
- This year, my parents ...
- In the next school holidays, my family ...
- 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.

LIVEWORKSHEETS