

# 95 Offers and saying sorry



Noah and Ava are getting married. Sonja is an old girlfriend of Noah's, and Noah has invited her to the **wedding**. Ava doesn't like Sonja very much. Do you think Sonja will **attend** the wedding?

100%	<b>CERTAIN</b>	Yes, She'll <b>definitely</b> go.
	<b>PROBABLE</b>	Yeah, I think so. Yeah, she's <b>likely</b> to go. Yeah, she'll <b>probably</b> go.  I think there's a (good) <b>chance</b> that she'll go.
	<b>POSSIBLE</b>	I think she { <b>may</b> / <b>might</b> } go. Yeah, <b>maybe/perhaps</b> .
	<b>UNLIKELY</b>	No, I don't think so. No, I don't think she'll go.
0%	<b>IMPOSSIBLE</b>	No, she definitely won't go.

## GLOSSARY

<b>wedding</b>	a time when a man and woman get married
<b>attend</b> <i>formal</i>	go to or be present at a place where sth is happening
<b>certain</b>	sure about sth <b>certainly</b> <i>adv</i> SYN <b>definitely</b>
<b>probably</b>	If sth will <b>probably</b> happen, you think it will happen but you are not sure. <b>probable</b> <i>adj</i>
<b>likely (to)</b>	If sth is <b>likely</b> to happen, it will probably happen.
<b>chance</b>	a possibility that sth may happen. A <b>good chance</b> means it is more probable.
<b>possible</b>	If sth is <b>possible</b> , it can happen. OPP <b>impossible</b> ; <b>possibility</b> <i>n</i>
<b>maybe</b>	a word that shows that sth is possible SYN <b>perhaps</b>
<b>may</b>	a word that shows that sth is possible, and will perhaps happen. SYN <b>might</b> : He <b>may/might</b> come with us. (NOT He <del>may/might</del> to come with us.)

## SPOTLIGHT *I think so / I hope so*

You can use these expressions if you think or hope something is going to happen. Notice the difference in the negative.

- Are you going? ~ Yes, **I think so**. (= it is likely that this will happen)
- Is the exam difficult? ~ No, **I don't think so**.
- Will you get more money? ~ **I hope so**. (= I would like this to happen)
- Is it going to rain? ~ **I hope not**.

## 1 Underline the main stress in these words. Use the APP to help you. Practise saying the words.

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| ▶ possible    | 4 definitely |
| 1 certainly   | 5 likely     |
| 2 impossible  | 6 probably   |
| 3 possibility | 7 perhaps    |

## 2 Are the sentences similar in meaning or different? Write S or D.

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| ▶ It's certainly true. / It's definitely true.                             |  |
| 1 The team will probably win. / The team will definitely win.              |  |
| 2 I may stay in tonight. / I might stay in tonight.                        |  |
| 3 John and Shar are likely to come. / John and Shar will definitely come.  |  |
| 4 Will Jo come? ~ Maybe. / Will Jo come? ~ Perhaps.                        |  |
| 5 Is it sunny outside? ~ I think so. / ~ I hope so.                        |  |
| 6 I'm probably going to change jobs. / I'm likely to change jobs.          |  |
| 7 I think it's likely. / I think it's impossible.                          |  |
| 8 There's a chance it will happen. / There's a possibility it will happen. |  |

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**3 One word is missing in each sentence. What is it, and where does it go?**

- Is Marta coming with you? ~ It's not / but I think she will. certain
- 1 I probably work this evening. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 My parents are not likely come this afternoon. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Are you going tonight? ~ Yes, I think. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 Have you lost your money? ~ No, I hope. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 I think there's chance that he'll be here. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 Are you seeing Jacob this evening? ~ I'm not sure. I see him. \_\_\_\_\_

**4 Complete the conversations.**

- A Are you going tonight?  
B I don't know yet. Perhaps
- 1 A What are you doing this evening?  
B I'll p\_\_\_\_\_ stay at home, and I m\_\_\_\_\_ finish reading my book.
- 2 A Who's coming to the cinema this evening?  
B Well, Elle will d\_\_\_\_\_ come, and Briony will p\_\_\_\_\_ come with her. And I think three or four more are l\_\_\_\_\_ to come. So, about seven or eight, including us.
- 3 A What are you doing this weekend?  
B I'm going to a w\_\_\_\_\_. My cousin is getting married.  
A Well, enjoy yourself.  
B Thanks. It will c\_\_\_\_\_ be interesting – I don't think the two families like each other very much.
- 4 A Is the team going to win this weekend?  
B Yes, there's a good c\_\_\_\_\_ we will – we're playing quite well.
- 5 A What are you doing next week?  
B I have to a\_\_\_\_\_ an important meeting for my company in Manchester.  
A Are you going to drive?  
B I don't think that's l\_\_\_\_\_: it's a long way. I m\_\_\_\_\_ take the train. Then I can work.
- 6 A Will everyone come to the meeting this afternoon?  
B There's a p\_\_\_\_\_ they will all be here, but I don't think s\_\_\_\_\_.
- 7 A Are you leaving at the end of the year?  
B Well, m\_\_\_\_\_, but nothing's c\_\_\_\_\_ yet. I'll p\_\_\_\_\_ decide at the end of this month.
- 8 A Will you finish the exercise by the end of the lesson?  
B No, that's i\_\_\_\_\_. It's really difficult.

**5 ABOUT YOU Answer the questions using words and phrases from page 184.**

- Are you going to do anything this evening? I might do some work. I'm not sure.
- 1 Are you going to have a good weekend? \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Are you going to go out with friends? \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Are you going to stay at home on Sunday? \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 Are you going to do any work? \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 Are you going to watch much TV? \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 Are you going to spend a lot of money? \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 Are you going to visit other members of your family? \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 Are you going to go shopping? \_\_\_\_\_



**TEST YOURSELF**