

Future tense (4)

- A: What **are** you **going to wear** at the party next week?
 B: I'm **going to wear** a Batman costume and sing. I'll **win** the singing competition!
 A: I'm **going to wear** a princess costume but I **won't win** the competition because I can't sing well.

**be + going to**

We usually use **be + going to** to talk about planned actions.



I am going to practise the piano every day.

will

We can use **will** to talk about expected results.



I will win the piano competition.

We can use either **be + going to** or **will** in everyday speech. The meanings are very similar.

Practice

Fill in the blanks with 'be + going to', 'will' or 'won't'.

- This year we _____ eat fewer desserts. We _____ be slim!
- Dan _____ do more Chinese exercises from now on. He hopes that he _____ fail his Chinese exam ever again.
- I _____ tidy my room every day. My room _____ be clean and tidy all the time.
- Grandpa _____ see a doctor. He _____ be better.
- I _____ be bored. My parents _____ take me to the museum this weekend.
- Mrs Grey _____ buy a car. She _____ be late for work anymore.

Date: _____

Connective (1) **so**

reason

result

I want to improve my English **so** I'm going to read more English books.

We use **so** to link results and reasons.

**Practice**

Rewrite the sentences using 'so' and the correct form of the verbs given. Follow the example.

- 1 My Maths is poor. I (do) more sums.
My Maths is poor **so** I am going to do more sums.



- 2 Ivy and Tim like birds. They (keep) a parrot.

- 3 Jerry is overweight. He (eat) less junk food.

Grammar in Context

Maggie is talking to her brother Thomas. Finish what they say with 'so' or 'because' and the correct form of the verbs given.

Maggie : Look at that athlete on TV! She's so slim! I want to be like her.

Thomas: She's slim ① _____ she trains every day. You can't be like her
② _____ you seldom exercise!

Maggie : Well, I want to lose weight ③ _____ I ④ _____
_____ (exercise) more.

Thomas: Why do you want to lose weight all of a sudden?

Maggie : There's a fashion parade next month at school. All my friends
⑤ _____ (put) on nice costumes ⑥ _____
I want to look good too! I'm going to wear my princess costume.

Thomas: Don't worry, Maggie. I can lend you my big wolf costume ⑦ _____
you don't need to exercise!