



The Future



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Will: We use will to say what we know or believe about the future (often with maybe, I think, I expect and I hope). We also use will when the speaker decides something at the moment he/she speaks.

I/you/she/he/it/we/they will ('ll) + verb

- I'll pay for dinner.
- She won't pay for dinner.

I/you/she/he/it/we/they will not (won't) + verb.

Will I/you/she/he/it/we/they + verb?

- Will you help me pay?

Going to: we use going to when we can see something is certain to happen. We also use it to talk about plans. We can often use going to or will to talk about the future.

Am/is/are going to +verb

- We're going to see the movie.
- I'm not going to stay till late.
- Are you going to watch the movie with me?

Am/is/are not going to +verb

Am/is/are ... going to + verb?

Present continuous: we use the present continuous for plans already made when we know or guess the time. We can often use "present continuous" or "going to" to talk about plans.

Am/is/are + verb (ing)

- I'm meeting my friends at 2:30.
- She's not playing with us.
- Are you coming this afternoon?

Am/is/are + not + verb (ing)

Am/is/are ... verb (ing)?

Present simple: We use simple present for timetables (trains, planes, etc.) And for programmes (films, classes, etc.)m

- My flight leaves Hamburg at 11 pm on Sunday and it arrives in New York at 1 am.
- The film starts at seven o'clock.

PRACTICE BANK

A. Complete each sentence with a verb from the box and the correct form of will.

	be	become	come	leave	need	phone
1.	I think _____ because I haven't heard from him for a long time.					
2.	I (not) _____ my bag here because I've got my cellphone in it.					
3.	My grandmother, Elisse _____ ninety nine years on her next birthday.					
4.	No thanks, I (not) _____ to the swimming pool with you because I've got a cold.					
5.	During the next hundred years, the world _____ hotter.					
6.	How much money (you) _____ for the weekend?					

B. Read this conversation and fill in the gaps with the correct form of will or going to.

Sydra:	Hello, Lewis (1) _____ (we/go) to a music festival this summer.
Lewis:	Are you? That sounds good.
Sydra:	Do you want to come? (2) _____ (we/buy) tickets this afternoon.
Lewis:	(3) _____ (I/think) about it.
Sydra:	(4) _____ (tom and Kate/come) too. It's quite cheap.
Lewis:	(5) _____ (I/check) my diary. When is it?
Sydra:	4-7 October.
Lewis:	Ok, ok, (6) _____ (I/buy) a ticket.

C. Make the future tenses using present continuous.

1. I _____ (go) to school tomorrow.
2. My sister _____ (give) me her car when she gets a new one.
3. We _____ (have) a barbecue on Sunday.
4. All my friends _____ (come) to the match next week.
5. We _____ (take) my little sister to the waterpark later today.
6. The plane _____ (leave) in five minutes.
7. We _____ (go) to the zoo tomorrow.
8. Amy _____ (stay in) her house the newt weekend.
9. _____ Francis _____ (work) this week?
10. _____ your English _____ (get) better?

D. Use will, going to, present continuous or simple present to complete these sentences in future tense.

1. The train _____ (to arrive) at 12:30.
2. We _____ (to have) dinner at a seaside restaurant on Saturday.
3. It _____ (to snow) in London tomorrow evening.
4. On Friday at 8 o'clock I _____ (to meet) my girlfriend.
5. Paula _____ (to fly) to Syria on Monday morning.
6. Wait! I _____ (to drive) you to the station.
7. The English lesson _____ (to start) at 8:20.
8. Are you still doing your homework? If you _____ (to finish) by 3pm, we can go for a walk.
9. I _____ (to see) my mother in April.
10. Look at the clouds – it _____ (to rain) in a while.

E. Use will, going to, present continuous or simple present to complete these sentences in future tense.

1. When they _____ (to get) married in May, they _____
_____ (to be) very happy.
2. You're carrying too much. I _____ (to open) the door for you.
3. Do you think our teacher _____ (finish/to mark) our homework tomorrow?
4. When I _____ (to see) you tomorrow, I _____ (show) you my new game console.
5. After you _____ (to take) a nap, you _____ (to feel) much better.
6. You must stay in the office until you _____ (to finish) your work.
7. I _____ (to buy) what I need from the corner shop when it _____ (to open).
8. Yesterday, we _____ (playing) in the garden, when it _____ (start/rain).
9. Before we _____ (to start) our lesson, we _____ (to have) a review.
10. We _____ (to wait) in the shelter until the bus _____ (to come).

F. Use **will, going to, present continuous or simple present** to complete these sentences in future tense.

1. I'm very sorry, Dr. Jules _____ (not be) back in the clinic until 4pm.
2. This summer, I _____ (to move) to London for six years.
3. I don't think you _____ (to have) any problems when you land in Boston.
4. The baby should be due soon, next week she _____ (to be) pregnant for nine months.
5. By the time we get home, they _____ (to have) lunch served.
6. In three years I _____ (be/ to live) in a different country.
7. When you _____ (to get) off the train, I _____ (to wait) for you near the candy store.
8. _____ (to take) your children with you to France?
9. I _____ (be/ski) in Switzerland in 3 weeks!
10. Now I _____ (to check) my answers, I don't know what to expect.