

Will

Use of *will* for future in following situations:

1. a spontaneous decision

- *Wait, I will help you.*

2. an opinion, hope, uncertainty or assumption regarding the future

- *He will probably come back tomorrow.*

3. a promise

- *I will not watch TV tonight.*

4. an action in the future that cannot be influenced

- *It will rain tomorrow.*

5. a threat

- *I will kill you!*
- *I'll tell Mum!*

6. a request, an offer

- *"I'll look after the children for you if you like." (offers)*
- *"Will you tell Tony I called?" (requests)*

"Will" and the negative form "**will not**" or "**won't**" is a modal auxiliary verb. This means that there is no -s on the third person singular, and that it is followed by the infinitive:

- *I **will leave** later.*
- *You **will leave** later.*
- *He / she **will leave** later.*
- *We **will leave** later.*
- *They **will leave** later.*

"Will" is often abbreviated to 'll in spoken English:

- *"I'll leave later."*
- *"He'll leave later."*

To make the question form, change the word order:

- *"You will leave later" = "Will you leave later?"*

Exercise 1

Put in the verbs in brackets into the gaps. Use will-future.

1. They _____ back by 6:30 pm. (to be)
2. _____ you _____ me? (to help)
3. When _____ I _____ you again? (to see)

4. His parents _____ him for being late. (*not/to punish*)
5. _____ they _____ the contract tonight? (*to sign*)
6. It _____ us three hours to get there. (*to take*)
7. _____ this concert _____ money for our school club? (*to raise*)
8. This van _____ with 8 people in it. (*not/to break down*)
9. The meeting _____ before tomorrow morning. (*not/to close*)
10. When _____ she _____ me a copy of her essay? (*to send*)

Exercise 2

Complete the sentences with the verbs given. Use "will" or "going to" future.

1. Look at the sky. There are dark clouds everywhere. It _____. (*rain*)
2. Take this dictionary. Maybe you _____ the word you are looking for. (*find*)
3. I have a special plan for this weekend. I _____ to make pizza. (*learn*)
4. I still don't have a birthday present for Mike. Perhaps I _____ him a book. (*buy*)
5. I can't carry this box by myself. Hang on! I _____ you. (*help*)
6. Rebecca says that her mum _____ a baby in four month. (*have*)
7. Your bag looks heavy. Wait, I _____ it for you. (*carry*)
8. If you don't help me, I _____ Mum! (*tell*)
9. **A:** „What _____ you _____ with that money?“ (*do*)
B: „I have no idea. I think I _____ it in the bank.“ (*put*)
A: „Do you know what you _____ with yours?“ (*do*)
B: „Yes, I do. I _____ a new tennis racket.“ (*buy*)
10. Probably they _____ married sometime soon. (*get*)