



# A2 - Plans and predictions

Understand how to use 'will' and '(be) going to'

# General questions



1. What are you doing after class today?
2. Are you going to travel anywhere this year?
3. Will you do your homework tonight?
4. What do you think the weather will be like tomorrow?
5. Are you going to watch a movie this weekend?
6. Will robots cook for us in the future?
7. What are you going to eat for dinner?
8. Will you be famous one day?

# 'Will' VS. 'be going to'

## 'Will' is used for:

1. **Predictions:** *"It will rain tomorrow."*
2. **Decisions made now:** *"I'm tired. I think I'll go to bed."*
3. **Offers or promises:** *"I'll help you!"*

## '(be) going to' is used for:

1. **Planned future actions:** *"I'm going to visit my cousin."*
2. **Intentions:** *"We're going to watch a movie tonight."*
3. **Something you can see is about to happen:** *"Look at those clouds! It's going to rain!"*

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# Comprehension questions



1. What is Lucy going to study?
2. Where will she live?
3. How will she travel to class?
4. What does Lucy think about her roommates?
5. Is she going to live with her parents?

# Grammar guide: 'will' VS. '(be) going to'

Form	Structure	Example sentence
<b>Will</b>	Subject + will + base verb	<i>"I will call you later."</i>
<b>(be) going to</b>	Subject + be (am/is/are) + going to + base verb	<i>"She is going to study tonight."</i>

# 'Will' – future decisions, promises, predictions

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<b>Positive</b>	Subject + will + base verb	<i>"She will call you tomorrow."</i>
<b>Negative</b>	Subject + will not / won't + base verb	<i>"I won't forget your birthday."</i>
<b>Question</b>	Will + subject + base verb?	<i>"Will he help us later?"</i>

# '(be) going to' – plans, intentions, near future

Form	Structure	Example
<b>Positive</b>	Subject + 'be' (am/is/are) + going to + base verb	<i>"We are going to watch a movie."</i>
<b>Negative</b>	Subject + 'be' (am/is/are) + not going to + base verb	<i>"She isn't going to eat that."</i>
<b>Question</b>	"Be" (Am/Is/Are) + subject + going to + base verb?	<i>"Are you going to study tonight?"</i>

# Fill in the blanks using 'will' or '(be) going to'

1. Look at the sky! It \_\_\_\_\_ (rain).
2. I think I \_\_\_\_\_ (stay) home tonight.
3. We \_\_\_\_\_ (visit) my grandmother this weekend.
4. She's tired. She \_\_\_\_\_ (not go) to the party.
5. Don't worry. I \_\_\_\_\_ (help) you with your homework.
6. They \_\_\_\_\_ (not come) tomorrow. They have other plans.
7. "Are you free tomorrow?" "Yes, I \_\_\_\_\_ (meet) some friends."
8. Watch out! You \_\_\_\_\_ (fall)!

# Which of these are you going to do?



# Practice using 'will' and '(be) going to'

Write a short paragraph (6–8 sentences) about your plans for the weekend and your predictions for what might happen. Use both **'will'** and **'(be) going to'** at least three times.





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