





The Basic Future



Will Future

Going To Future

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Present Simple

Future event with a schedule/timetable

The present simple tense is used in the future to talk about a scheduled/timetabled event.

The plane <u>lands</u> at 6pm tonight. The class <u>starts</u> at 8.30am tomorrow.



Present Simple

After the words when, until, before, after and as soon as

The present simple tense is used with specific keywords to express a future event. There is normally a second part of the phrase with another future tense.

As soon as she finishes her homework, we'll go into town.



Present Continuous

Future event that is planned and organised but not to a timetable

The present continuous tense is used in the future for a personal event that is planned and organised (but not with a timetable)

We are getting married in summer. We are going on holiday next week.



Present Continuous

Future events that often involve other people

The present continuous tense is used in the future for a personal event that normally involves another person.

She is coming for dinner on Sunday. My mum is visiting us over Christmas.



Going To Future

Planned future event or intention that is decided but not fully organised

The going to future is used for a planned event, where the event has been decided but not completely organised and don't have a specific date/time for this event yet.

We are going to get married.

The windows are dirty. I'm going to clean them at some point!

Compare both of these sentences

Present continuous

We are getting married in summer. Going to Future

We are going to get married.



Decided



Planned/Organised



Decided



Not organised



Going To Future

Prediction based on current information

The going to future is used to predict a future action based on current information/evidence.

Look at those black clouds. It's going to rain! You haven't studied anything, you're going to fail the exam.



Going To Future

Action about to happen in the immediate future

The going to future is used to talk about an action that will happen in the very immediate future.

Careful! It is going to fall on the floor. Watch out! You're going to trip over!



Will Future

Spontaneous future decision

The will future is used to express a spontaneous decision.

I'm thirsty. I will have a drink.
Oh no, we don't have any milk. I'll go to the shops and get some.

Will Future

True future fact

The will future is used to express a true future fact.

Tomorrow will be Sunday. The sun will rise tomorrow.



Will Future

Personal prediction

The will future is used to express a personal prediction.

I think she'll be an actress when she grows up. I think we'll win the championship.



Will Future
Offer

The will future is used to offer something to somebody.

I'll open the door for you, don't worry!
I'll pick you up at the airport if you want?



Will Future

Threat

The will future is used to give a threat (normally in the first conditional form).

If you don't come here, you won't get dinner.

If you don't tidy your room, I won't give you a

sweet.



Will Future

Promise

The will future is used to promise something.

I promise I'll buy you a new phone. Do you promise me you'll be here on time?



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Practice 1





A: Sadly, there's no milk left.

B: It's OK I _____ some from the shop. (get)



A: Sadly, there's no milk left.

B: It's OK I will get some from the shop. (get)

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The population of the UK ____ 70 million by the year 2050 (reach)



The population of the UK will reach/ is going to reach 70 million by the year 2050 (reach)

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A: Why don't we meet for coffee on Sunday?

B: Sorry. I can't. I ____ to the hairdressers

then (go).



A: Why don't we meet for coffee on Sunday?

B: Sorry. I can't. I am going to the

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Look at those big black clouds. I think it _____ (rain)



Look at those big black clouds. I think it is going to rain (rain)

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That glass is near the edge of the table. I think it _____ (fall).



That glass is near the edge of the table. I think it is going to fall (fall).

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A: I can't open this stupid jar.

B: Give it here. I ____ it. (do)



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B: Give it here. I will do it. (do)

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The train ____ at 7.30pm. (arrive)



The train arrives at 7.30pm. (arrive)

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Tomorrow ____ a lovely sunny day in London, said the weatherman. (be)



Tomorrow will be a lovely sunny day in London, said the weatherman. (be)

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I promise, when we get home, we ____ dinner (have).



I promise, <u>when</u> we get home, we <u>will have</u> dinner (have).

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I think the film ____ at 6pm. (start)



I think the film **starts** at 6pm. (start)

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Hurry! Or/Otherwise we ____ late for work! (be)



Hurry! Otherwise we will be late for work! (be)

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I ____ you forever (love).



I will love you forever (love).

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There isn't long left in the match and they're already 3-0 down. They ____ (lose).



There isn't long left in the match and they're already 3-0 (nil) down. They are going to lose.

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I _____ mum on Sunday. Would you like to join me? (see)



I am seeing mum on Sunday. Would you like to join me? (see)

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Practice 2







It's conversation time!

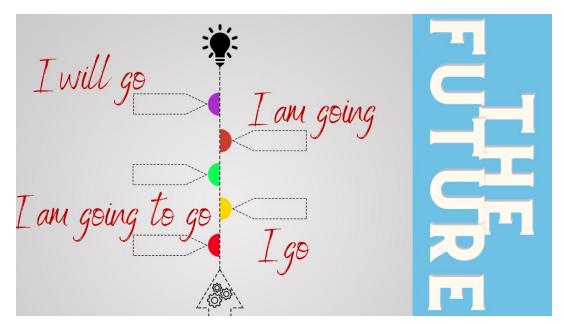








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