



Simple Future: Will & Going to

Mastering Future Tense for
Everyday English

Introduction to the Simple Future

Why Do We Talk About the Future?

We use the simple future tense to discuss things that have not happened yet but will happen later.

Two Common Ways

- Will
- Going to

Both forms help us express predictions, plans, promises, and decisions. Understanding when to use each is key to sounding natural in English!



Forming the Simple Future

Will + base verb

I will study.



Be going to + base verb

She is going to travel.



Negative & Questions

Will you help? I'm not going to eat.



When to Use 'Will'

1. Instant Decisions

You decide something at the moment of speaking.

"I'm thirsty. I **will get** some water."

2. Promises & Offers

You promise or offer to do something.

"Don't worry, I **will pay** you tomorrow."

3. Predictions (No Evidence)

You think something will happen, but you have no proof.

"I **think it will rain** tomorrow."

4. Future Facts

Talking about facts or things that are always true in the future.

"The sun **will rise** at 6 am."

When to Use 'Going to'

Planned actions

I'm going to visit my friend.



Predictions (with evidence)

Look at those clouds! It's going to rain.



Real-World Examples

At Work

"I will email you the report."

Quick decision or promise.



With Friends

"We're going to see a movie on Friday."

A plan made before.



Weather Forecast

"It's going to snow tonight."

Prediction based on evidence.



Fill in the blanks

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Word bank 

to take, am, to go, will, going, take

Answers on the next slide...

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Future Forms Quiz



Question 1:

Imagine you are at a restaurant and decide to order chicken. What future form would you use?

Question 2:

Your friend looks sad and tells you they have a lot of homework. You want to offer help. What future form is best?

Question 3:

Look outside the window. If you see very dark clouds gathering, what future form would you use to describe what might happen next?

Answers on the next slide...

Future Forms Quiz



Answer 1:

You would say, "I will have the chicken," because it's an instant decision made at the moment.

Answer 2:

You should use "I will help you," as 'will' is used for promises and offers.

Answer 3:

You would say, "It's going to rain," because 'going to' is used for predictions based on present evidence.

Summary: Will & Going to

You now know how to use 'will' and 'going to' to talk about the future!

- **Will:** instant decisions, promises, predictions without evidence
- **Going to:** plans, predictions with evidence

Practice using both forms in your daily conversations. The more you use them, the more natural they will feel!

