

# FUTURE TENSES

## WILL ('ll)

### AFFIRMATIVE

#### SUBJ. + WILL + V (INF)

It **will** snow this weekend  
I **will** pick you up tomorrow  
She **'ll** come next year.

### NEGATIVE

#### SUBJ. + WON'T + V (INF)

You **won't** go to the party  
I **won't** cook this week  
Pete **won't** watch the film

### QUESTIONS

#### (WH-) WILL + SUBJ + V ?

**Will** you make dinner tonight ?  
**Will** Ann go to University ?  
When **will** they start playing ?

## BE GOING TO

### AFFIRMATIVE

#### AM SJ + IS + GOING TO + V (INF) ARE

I **am going to** study Maths  
He **'s going to** travel to Italy next summer  
Samuel **is going to** play tennis on Monday

### NEGATIVE

#### AM NOT SJ + ISN'T + GOING TO + V (INF) AREN'T

I **'m not going to** go to the party  
He **isn't going to** buy a house  
We **aren't going to** eat out

### QUESTIONS

#### AM (WH-) IS + SJ + GOING TO + V ? ARE

What **are** you **going to** do?  
When **are** they **going to** come?  
**Is** he **going to** study French?

# “WILL” FUTURE

## FACTS that will be TRUE in the future

### HECHOS QUE OCURRIRÁN EN EL FUTURO

Con **WILL** expresamos la **certeza** de que algo tendrá lugar, sin lugar a dudas, en el futuro

We **won't work** next Monday - *El próximo lunes no trabajaremos*  
The winner **will get** a 100€ prize - *El ganador recibirá un premio de 100 euros*  
The new library **will open** on Thursday - *La nueva biblioteca abrirá el jueves*

## SPONTANEOUS decisions, NOT PLANNED before speaking

### Decisiones ESPONTÁNEAS, no tomadas previamente

Con **WILL** expresamos algo que hemos **decidido** hacer **en ese momento**, sobre la marcha

- I've got a problem. - *Tengo un problema.*
- Don't worry. I'll **help** you. - *No te preocupes. Yo te **ayudaré**.*
- Did you know it's Tom's birthday today? - *¿Sabías que hoy es el cumpleaños de Tom?*
- Oh, really? No, I didn't. I **will** buy him a present. - *¿De verdad? No lo sabía. Le **compraré** un regalo.*

## General PREDICTIONS based on OPINIONS, not facts

### PREDICCIONES basadas en una opinión personal, no en hechos objetivos

Usually with expressions such as: **I think, I'm sure, probably...**

I'm sure you **will** do well in the new job - *Seguro que lo **harás** bien en el trabajo nuevo*  
I don't think we **will** use flying cars in the future - *No creo que los coches vuelen en el futuro*  
My team **will probably** win the championship - *Mi equipo probablemente gane el campeonato*

## PROMISES

I **won't** tell anyone what happened, I swear  
*No le diré a nadie lo que ha pasado, lo juro*

I promise I'll arrive earlier next time  
Prometo que llegaré antes la próxima vez

## WEATHER FORECAST

It **will** rain in the South and it **will** be cloudy and windy in the North

*Lloverá en el sur y estará nublado y con viento en el norte*

# BE GOING TO

## FUTURE PLANS or INTENTIONS

### PLANES o INTENCIONES FUTURAS

Con **BE GOING TO** expresamos nuestra intención de hacer algo en el futuro, decisiones que ya hemos tomado antes de hablar de ellas.

She's **going to study** Medicine.  
I'm **not going to visit** Rome next year

Ella **va a estudiar** medicina (lo tiene decidido)  
Él **no va a ir** a Roma el año que viene (es su intención)

- Did you know it's Tom's birthday today?  
- Yes, I know. I'm **going to buy** him a present.

- ¿Sabías que hoy es el cumpleaños de Tom?  
- Claro. **Voy a comprarle** un regalo.

- What **are you going to do** next summer?  
- I'm **going to stay** in London. I have to work

- ¿Qué vas a hacer el próximo verano?  
- Me voy a quedar en Londres. Tengo que trabajar.

## PREDICTIONS based on REAL EVIDENCE

### PREDICCIONES que parece claro que van a ocurrir (hay signos de ello)

Look at those black clouds. It's **going to rain** - ¡Mira esas nubes negras. **Va a llover!**  
That old ship on the heavy sea **is going to sink** - Ese barco viejo con esas olas **se va a hundir**  
My father's losing a lot of hair. He's **going to be bald** - Mi padre está perdiendo mucho pelo. **Se va a quedar calvo**

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