Future Forms: will, be going to and present continuous

GRAMMAR PRACTICE WORKSHEET • A2–B1 • 50 QUESTIONS + ANSWER KEY

Learn to choose the most natural future form for plans, predictions, offers and arrangements.

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Quick guide: which future form should I use?

WILL

Form: will + base verb
Use: decisions now, offers, promises and general predictions
Example: I'll carry that.

BE GOING TO

Form: am/is/are going to + base verb
Use: intentions and evidence-based predictions
Example: It's going to rain.

PRESENT CONTINUOUS

Form: am/is/are + verb-ing
Use: fixed arrangements with people, times or places
Example: We're meeting at six.

Remember: Sometimes more than one form is possible. Here, choose the most natural form for the context.

Exercise 1: Complete the sentences

Use will, be going to or the present continuous form of the verb in brackets.

01. The phone's ringing. I _____ (answer) it.

02. Watch that glass! It _____ (fall).

03. We _____ (have) dinner with Priya at seven tomorrow; the table is booked.

04. I've decided that I _____ (learn) Italian next year.

05. I think the weather _____ (improve) next week.

06. "I can't carry this bag." "I _____ (help) you."

07. They _____ (fly) to Glasgow on Thursday; they have their tickets.

08. Look at those dark clouds. It _____ (rain).

09. We've arranged a meeting with the manager. We _____ (see) her on Friday.

10. I promise I _____ (not / tell) anyone.

Exercise 2: Choose the correct option

Circle the form that fits the situation best.

01. Why have you packed your suitcase? I (will stay / am going to stay) with my aunt this weekend.

02. Someone's at the door. I (will get / am getting) it!

03. We've booked a table. We (are eating / will eat) at the Italian restaurant tonight.

04. Look! That child (will fall / is going to fall) off the chair!

05. I've decided. I (will train / am going to train) as a nurse.

06. I think electric cars (will become / are becoming) cheaper in the future.

07. Don't worry. I (won't forget / am not forgetting) your birthday again, I promise.

08. We've arranged to meet at 11. We (are meeting / will meet) outside the station.

09. "I can't reach that shelf." "I (will help / am helping) you."

10. Those boxes are slipping. They (will fall / are going to fall).

Exercise 3: Complete the mini-situations

Use the most natural future form of the verb in brackets.

01. Alex has already bought the paint. He _____ (paint) his bedroom this weekend.

02. We've booked the train. We _____ (leave) at 7.15 tomorrow.

03. I think I _____ (enjoy) that novel.

04. I forgot my umbrella! I _____ (go) back and get it.

05. We've arranged a video call with Rosa. We _____ (talk) at five.

06. That pan is far too hot. The food _____ (burn) if you don't lower the heat.

07. My cousin has decided she _____ (apply) to art school.

08. "These plates are heavy." "Here, I _____ (carry) some for you."

09. I think it _____ (snow) next week.

10. Watch out! That cyclist _____ (hit) the gate!

Exercise 4: Correct the mistakes

Each sentence contains one grammar mistake. Rewrite the whole sentence correctly.

01. I am going visit my uncle tomorrow.

02. They are meet their friends at eight. They've booked a table.

03. I think she will wins the competition.

04. Look at that glass! It's going fall.

05. I promise I am call you tonight.

06. We is going to paint the room next weekend.

07. I'm meet Rosa for lunch tomorrow.

08. I'll to help you with your suitcase.

09. He isn't going to buys a new car.

10. What time are you leave for Bristol tomorrow?

Exercise 5: Rewrite and respond

Follow the instruction in brackets. Write a full sentence for each task.

01. I've decided to start a photography course. (Use be going to.)

02. We've arranged to meet Ella at six on Friday. (Use the present continuous.)

03. People may use fewer cars in the future. (Begin: Perhaps people will …)

04. "This bag is heavy." (Offer help using will.)

05. Dark clouds are gathering. (Make a prediction using be going to.)

06. We've booked a table at the café for eight tonight. (Use the present continuous.)

07. I promise not to be late again. (Use won't.)

08. Sara has decided to move to Manchester. (Use be going to.)

09. I have a dentist's appointment at nine on Monday. (Use the present continuous.)

10. "I can't solve this problem." (Make an offer using will.)

Answer key

Contractions and full forms are accepted. Exercise 5 shows sample answers; other grammatically correct responses may be possible.

Exercise 1 · Complete

01. will answer
02. is going to fall
03. are having
04. am going to learn
05. will improve
06. will help
07. are flying
08. is going to rain
09. are seeing
10. won't tell / will not tell

Exercise 2 · Choose

01. am going to stay
02. will get
03. are eating
04. is going to fall
05. am going to train
06. will become
07. won't forget
08. are meeting
09. will help
10. are going to fall

Exercise 3 · Situations

01. is going to paint
02. are leaving
03. will enjoy
04. will go
05. are talking
06. is going to burn
07. is going to apply
08. will carry
09. will snow
10. is going to hit

Exercise 4 · Correct

01. I am going to visit my uncle tomorrow.
02. They are meeting their friends at eight.
03. I think she will win the competition.
04. It's going to fall.
05. I promise I will call you tonight.
06. We are going to paint the room next weekend.
07. I'm meeting Rosa for lunch tomorrow.
08. I'll help you with your suitcase.
09. He isn't going to buy a new car.
10. What time are you leaving for Bristol tomorrow?

Exercise 5 · Rewrite

01. I'm going to start a photography course.
02. We're meeting Ella at six on Friday.
03. Perhaps people will use fewer cars in the future.
04. I'll carry it for you.
05. It's going to rain.
06. We're eating at the café at eight tonight.
07. I won't be late again.
08. Sara is going to move to Manchester.
09. I'm seeing the dentist at nine on Monday.
10. I'll help you.