

# WILL / BE GOING TO

## WILL

- to make decisions that are made at the time of speaking
- to state a fact about the future
- to make a promise
- to make a prediction
- with words like I think, I guess, I hope, probably, possibly

## BE GOING TO

- a future event that has been planned before the time of speaking
- to make a future prediction based on facts / evidence

Fill in the blanks with the words into brackets using will or be going to.

1. My brother \_\_\_\_\_ (be) 45 in October.
2. - The phone is ringing and I'm in the shower!  
- Don't worry Mark, I \_\_\_\_\_ (answer) for you.
3. James Jones \_\_\_\_\_ (probably / become) the next President.
4. Mum is unemployed but she \_\_\_\_\_ (not / apply) for that job because it isn't well-paid.
5. I'm so excited! We \_\_\_\_\_ (move) to a bigger house next month.
6. My parents \_\_\_\_\_ (be) very proud, I have passed all the exams.
7. I think my sister \_\_\_\_\_ (pass) the exam, she has studied very hard so far.
8. I \_\_\_\_\_ (take) the kids to the mountains this winter.
9. There isn't any milk left in the fridge  
- I know, I \_\_\_\_\_ (do) the shopping this afternoon.
10. There isn't any milk left in the fridge  
- Oh sorry!, I \_\_\_\_\_ (give) you some juice instead.
11. Look at the clouds, it \_\_\_\_\_ (rain); you should take an umbrella!
12. There's a knock at the door; that \_\_\_\_\_ (be) the postman.
13. Boys \_\_\_\_\_ (be) boys!
14. When the cat is away, the mice \_\_\_\_\_ (play)
15. I'm not feeling well, I \_\_\_\_\_ (faint).
16. It's 11:00pm; I think I \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to bed now.
17. She \_\_\_\_\_ (meet) them at 6:00pm.
18. That \_\_\_\_\_ (be) the book you are looking for.
19. There \_\_\_\_\_ (be) a gale.
20. Sally is a big girl now, we \_\_\_\_\_ (buy) her a scooter.



## Answer key

1. My brother **will be** 45 in October.
2. - The phone is ringing and I'm in the shower!  
- Don't worry Mark, I **will answer** for you.
3. James Jones **will probably become** the next President.
4. Mum is unemployed but she **isn't going to apply** for that job because it isn't well-paid.
5. I'm so excited! We **are going to move** to a bigger house next month.
6. My parents **will be** very proud, I have passed all the exams.
7. I think my sister **will pass** the exam, she has studied very hard so far.
8. I **am going to take** the kids to the mountains this winter.
9. There isn't any milk left in the fridge  
- I know, I **am going to do** the shopping this afternoon.
10. There isn't any milk left in the fridge  
- Oh sorry!, I **will give** you some juice instead.
11. Look at the clouds, it **is going to rain**; you should take an umbrella!
12. There's a knock at the door; that **will be** the postman.
13. Boys **will be** boys!
14. When the cat is away, the mice **will play**
15. I'm not feeling well, I **am going to faint**.
16. It's 11:00pm; I think I **will go** to bed now.
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