

# THEME 1 FUTURE JOBS GRAMMAR

## THE FUTURE TENSES

### 1. BE GOING TO FUTURE TENSE

- We use “be going to” for our plans.

*I booked a table for two for this evening. I am going to take my wife to one of the best restaurants in the city.*

- We use “be going to” for intentions.

*I'm going to study hard and pass the exam.*

- We use “be going to” for predictions based on what we see.

*Look at these black clouds. It's going to rain.*

#### Affirmative

#### Subject + am / is / are + going to + Verb

I am

He / She / It is going to paint the walls.

We / You / They are

#### Negative

#### Subject + am / is / are + not + going to + Verb

I am not

He / She / It is not (isn't) going to paint the walls.

We / You / They are not (aren't)

#### Interrogative

#### Am / Is / Are + Subject + going to + Verb

Am I

Is he / she / it going to paint the walls?

Are we / you / they

### 2. SIMPLE FUTURE TENSE

#### We use “will future”

- for the decisions made at the time of speaking.

*A: What would you like to have, coffee or tea?*

*B: I will have tea please. (The speaker decides at the moment of speaking.)*

- for predictions with no evidence.

*I don't know what I'll do tomorrow. I think I'll stay at home.*

- for promises or threats.

*Take your umbrella with you; otherwise, you will get soaked.*

*Don't worry mum, I will let you know when I arrive.*

- for requests and offers.

*Will you please help me to tidy my room?*

- with be sure, think, hope, be afraid, expect, believe, promise, guess maybe and perhaps.

*I hope I'll win the game.*

*I'm afraid she won't come to your party.*

## **Affirmative**

### **Subject + Will + Verb**

I / He / She / It            will open the door for you.

We / You / They            will open the door for you.

## **Negative**

### **Subject + Will not (Won't)+ Verb**

I / He / She / It            will not (won't) open the door for you.

We / You / They            will not (won't) open the door for you.

## **Interrogative**

### **Will + Subject + Verb**

Will I / he / she / it / we / you / they open the door for you?

### **Time expressions often used with the future tenses “Will” and “Be going to”:**

Tomorrow, tomorrow morning/afternoon/evening, next Monday/April/week/weekend/month/year, soon, in 2025.

## **3. PRESENT CONTINUOUS FOR FUTURE MEANING**

### **We use the present continuous tense for future**

- personal future arrangements

*I am seeing Mary tomorrow.*

*He is taking Sue out for dinner on Sunday.*

**NOTE :** With this tense, we usually give future time expressions such as tomorrow, this evening, on Tuesday, next weekend, etc...

*A: What are you doing this evening?*

*B: I am having dinner with Jamie.*