

# Future Simple: Will or Be Going To

**FORM:**

**WILL:**                    *SUBJECT + WILL + (NOT) + BASE VERB*

**BE GOING TO:**    *SUBJECT + BE (AM, IS, ARE) + (NOT) + GOING TO + BASE VERB*

**USE:**

The Future with **will** and the Future with **be going to** have different uses.

<b>WILL is used:</b>	<b>BE GOING TO is used:</b>															
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ When you are making a decision <b>at the moment.</b></li> </ul> <p>e.g. “The doorbell is ringing. There is someone at the door.”  <b>“I’ll get it.”</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ When you made a plan to do something <b>before</b> the time of speaking.</li> </ul> <p>e.g. “Where are you going?”  <b>“I’m going to go</b> to the park.                      We play soccer there every Saturday.”</p>															
with certain future time expressions:																
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*Complete the sentences using WILL or BE GOING TO.*

1.            A: Where are you taking the vacuum cleaner?  
 B: To the garage. I \_\_\_\_\_ (clean) my car.
  
2.            A: Oh no, I left my wallet at home.  
 B: Don’t worry. I \_\_\_\_\_ (pay) for your lunch.
  
3.            A: Ouch, I have a sharp pain in my neck.  
 B: Wait a minute, I \_\_\_\_\_ (massage) your neck for you.
  
4.            A: I’m going to redecorate the house.  
 B: What style \_\_\_\_\_ (choose)?

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5. A: Where are you going?  
B: I \_\_\_\_\_ (buy) bread and milk at the corner store.
6. A: I don't know how to use this program.  
B: It's easy. I \_\_\_\_\_ (show) you.
7. A: What would you like to eat?  
B: I \_\_\_\_\_ (have) a hamburger, please.
8. A: Where are you going to go for summer vacation?  
B: We \_\_\_\_\_ (travel) to Nova Scotia.
9. A: The phone is ringing.  
B: I \_\_\_\_\_ (get) it.
10. A: Why are you taking off all your jewellery?  
B: I \_\_\_\_\_ (take) a bath.

*Match Column A with the correct answer from Column B.*

**COLUMN A**

1. Chris called. She's coming over for dinner.
2. What are you doing with that camera?
3. Do you need a ride home today?
4. We don't have a thing to eat in the house.
5. Help! The car died again.

**COLUMN B**

- A: Great! I'll cook.  
B: Great! I'm going to cook.
- A: I'll take your picture.  
B: I'm going to take your picture.
- A: No, thanks. Jay will take me home.  
B: No, thanks. Jay's going to take me home.
- A: I'll call and order a pizza.  
B: I'm going to call and order a pizza.
- A: Calm down. I'll be right there.  
B: Calm down. I'm going to be right there.

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6. Why are you meeting Jennifer in the library tonight?  
A: She'll help me with my homework.  
B: She's going to help me with my homework.
7. Look, those thieves are robbing that shop!  
A: I'll call the police.  
B: I'm going to call the police.
8. Why did Maria cancel her date on Saturday?  
A: Her parents will take her on a trip that weekend.  
B: Her parents are going to take her on a trip that weekend.
9. Are you off the phone yet?  
A: I'll be off in a minute!  
B: I'm going to be off in a minute
10. Mom, can you brush my hair?  
A: I'll do it in a minute, sweetie.  
B: I'm going to do it in a minute, sweetie.