Future Simple: Mary Smith

READING TEXT

TODAY is Mary Smith's birthday.   She is twenty-two years old. She is in her fourth year of university. She is studying science. She is going to start medical school in two months. She will be a doctor one day. For her birthday, Mary is going to have dinner with her family. Her father is a computer programmer and works in a large downtown complex. Her mother is a nurse and works at the local hospital. Mary's parents will retire in a few years. They want to travel. Mary has three brothers and one sister. One brother is studying business administration. He will graduate next year. Another brother is a lawyer. He is going to move to New York in a few weeks. The third brother is a French teacher. He will teach in Australia next year on an exchange. Mary's sister is married. She is going to have a baby next month. She is Mary's best friend. They are very close and love to do things together. Mary is very excited that her whole family is going to help her celebrate her birthday. They are going to have a great time!

Underline WILL and GOING TO in the text. Why is WILL used? Why is GOING TO used?

Answer the following questions.

1. How old is Mary Smith?   _____

2. Where is Mary going to study?   _____

3. What does her father do?   _____

4. Is Mary's mother a teacher?   _____

5. Where does her mother work?   _____

6. What will her parents do when they retire?   _____

7. How many brothers and sisters does Mary have?   _____

8. What is Mary's brother studying?   _____

9. When is he going to graduate?   _____

10. Where is her other brother going to move to?   _____

11.   Where will her other brother teach?   _____

12.   When is Mary's sister going to have a baby?   _____

13.   Why is Mary excited?   _____

Write a sentence with each of the following words and expressions.

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1.   **BIRTHDAY**   _____

2.   **DOCTOR**   _____

3.   **NURSE**   _____

4.   **HOSPITAL**   _____

5.   **RETIRE**   _____

6.   **LAWYER**   _____

7.   **MARRIED**   _____

8.   **CELBRATE**   _____

9.   **AN EXCHANGE**   _____

10. **MEDICAL SCHOOL**   _____

11. **COMPLEX**   _____

12. **GRADUATE**   _____

13. **TO MOVE**   _____

14. **SCIENCE**   _____

15. **COMPUTER PROGRAMMER** _____

16. **EXCITED**   _____