

## MODAL VERB “WILL”

We also use “will” for future actions, but usually for the following reasons:

1. When the future action is almost 100% certain to happen.
2. When the speaker is speaking with determination.
3. When the speaker promises to do something.
4. When the speaker offers to do something voluntarily.
5. When the speaker is making a prediction.

*Examples:*

She will come to my party.

(The speaker is certain that the girl will be at the party.)

I will pass the exam tomorrow because I studied very hard for it.

(The speaker is speaking with determination.)

I promise I will call you every day while I’m in Ecuador.

(The speaker has made a promise.)

I’ll help you fix your car.

(The speaker is offering to help someone voluntarily.)

Brazil will win The World Cup.

(The speaker is confident in their prediction.)

The structure is as follows:

SUBJECT	+ WILL	+ VERB IN INFINITIVE FORM	+ COMPLEMENTIZER
I	wil	call	my girlfriend.
You	wil	return	soon.
He	wil	climb	Mt. Everest tomorrow.
She	wil	go	dancing tonight.
It	wil	rain	tonight.
We	wil	buy	a new car.
They	wil	win	the game.

The pronouns can be contracted as follows:

I	<b>I’ll</b>	<b>I’ll</b> go to the store.
You	<b>You’ll</b>	<b>You’ll</b> feel better.
He	<b>He’ll</b>	<b>She’ll</b> call when she gets a chance.
She	<b>She’ll</b>	<b>He’ll</b> be back in one minute.
It	<b>It’ll</b>	<b>It’ll</b> be a great party.
We	<b>We’ll</b>	<b>We’ll</b> go to your house for dinner.
They	<b>They’ll</b>	<b>They’ll</b> come to visit us soon.

Note: The negative form of will is **will + not = “won’t”**.

*Examples:*

I **won’t** go to the store.

He **won’t** be back soon.

She **won’t** call you later, she’s got a meeting. It **won’t** be a great party.

They **won’t** come to our house for dinner.

We **won’t** stay home for Christmas.

Note: Some common expressions that indicate the use of “will” are: I think, I am sure, probably, I am certain, and maybe.

*Examples:*

**I think** Ecuador **will** have a good future.

**I’m sure** she **will** go to the party.

**He’ll probably** go to the bar with his friends.

**I’m certain** I’ll pass the exam.

**Maybe** they’ll work overtime.

Note: When asking questions with “**will**” there are no changes in the verb, it stays in the infinitive form.

*Examples:*

**Question:** Will you **be** at the meeting later today?

**Answer:** Yes, I will.

**Question:** Will they **go** on vacation next year?

**Answer:** Yes they will.

**Question:** Do you **think** she will return to Ecuador?

**Answer:** No, I don’t think she

will. **Question:** Will she **marry** that guy?

**Answer:** No, she probably won’t.



Fill in the blanks with **going to** if (am-is-are) is present in the sentence. Use **will** if (am-is-are) is not present in the sentence. Follow the examples.

Gabriela is \_\_\_\_\_ come tomorrow night. Gabriela is **going to** come tomorrow night.

Gabriela \_\_\_\_\_ come tomorrow night. Gabriela **will** come tomorrow night.

1. Human beings \_\_\_\_\_ colonize other planets in the future.
2. Human beings are \_\_\_\_\_ colonize other planets in the future.
3. I \_\_\_\_\_ be there in half an hour.
4. I am \_\_\_\_\_ be there in half an hour.
5. The train \_\_\_\_\_ be there soon.
6. The train is \_\_\_\_\_ be there soon.
7. When are you \_\_\_\_\_ come back?
8. When \_\_\_\_\_ you come back?
9. We are \_\_\_\_\_ finish the job in a couple of hours.
10. We \_\_\_\_\_ finish the job in a couple of hours.
11. Don't worry. He \_\_\_\_\_ return soon.
12. Don't worry. He is \_\_\_\_\_ return soon.
13. The movie is \_\_\_\_\_ end in a few minutes.
14. The movie \_\_\_\_\_ end in a few minutes.
15. The teacher \_\_\_\_\_ be very disappointed if you don't submit your homework.
16. The teacher is \_\_\_\_\_ be very disappointed if you don't submit your homework.

17. The party \_\_\_\_\_ be held in the ballroom.
18. The party is \_\_\_\_\_ be held in the ballroom.
19. The concert \_\_\_\_\_ start soon.
20. The concert is \_\_\_\_\_ start soon.
21. He \_\_\_\_\_ finish school in two months.
22. He is \_\_\_\_\_ finish school in two months.
23. My mother \_\_\_\_\_ help me with my homework.
24. My mother is \_\_\_\_\_ going to help me with my homework.
25. We are \_\_\_\_\_ get married next year.
26. We \_\_\_\_\_ get married next year.
27. She is \_\_\_\_\_ clean her room tomorrow.
28. She \_\_\_\_\_ clean her room tomorrow.
29. My friends Richard \_\_\_\_\_ help us move to our new apartment.
30. My friend Richard is \_\_\_\_\_ help us move to our new apartment