



Simple Future Tense

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Simple Future Tense Uses

- Make Predictions
- Make Decisions
- Make Promises or Offers
- State Future Facts

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Make Predictions

We use the simple future to make predictions about things we think will happen.

It will rain tomorrow.
She will win the competition.

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Make Promises or Offers

We also use it to make promises.

I will bring you the report tomorrow.
He will be at the game on Saturday.

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Make Promises or Offers

When offering to do something for someone, we often use "will" with "I" or "we" to show willingness.

I will help you carry your bags.
We will bring the food for the party.

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State Future Facts

We use the simple future tense to state future facts, things that we know are going to happen.

The sun will rise at 6 a.m.
I'll drive to work tomorrow.

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Forming the Simple Future Tense

- Positive Sentences
- Negative Sentences
- Questions

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Positive Sentences

To make a positive sentence in the simple future, we use "will" + the base form of the verb.

Subject + "will" + base verb

I will go to the store later.
They will start the meeting at 3 p.m.

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Positive Sentences

To make a contraction with the word "will," you add 'll to the subject.

I'll, you'll, he'll, she'll, it'll, we'll, they'll

I'll go to the store later.
They'll start the meeting at 3 p.m.

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Negative Sentences

To make negative sentences in the simple future tense, we use "will not" (won't) + the base form of the verb.

Subject + "will" + "not" + base verb
(won't)

I will not go to the party.
They won't finish the project on time.

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Questions

To ask questions in the future tense, switch the subject and "will."

"Will" + subject + base verb?

Will you go to the meeting tomorrow?
Will they arrive on time?

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Questions

When inviting someone to an event or activity, we often use "will" in a friendly way.

Will you join us for dinner tonight?
Will she attend the meeting tomorrow?

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Questions

When asking someone to do something in the future, we use "will" to make polite requests.

Will you help me with my homework?
Will they call us when they arrive?

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Negative Questions

Negative questions in the simple future tense are used for expressing surprise, asking for confirmation, or making a polite request.

"Will" + subject + "not" + base verb

"will" + "not" = "won't"

Will you not join us for dinner? (Formal)
Won't you join us for dinner? (More natural)

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Negative Questions

Expressing Surprise	Won't she call you tomorrow?	I thought she would.
Asking for Confirmation	Won't they finish the project on time?	Checking if they will finish.
Making a Polite Request	Won't you help me?	Asking for help politely.

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Negative Questions

Short Answers for Negative Questions

Won't she be here tomorrow? → Yes, she will. / No, she won't.
Won't they be ready by 10 AM? → Yes, they will. / No, they won't.

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Wh- Questions

Wh- questions in the simple future tense are used to ask for specific information about future events.

Wh-word + "will" + subject + base verb

What will you do tomorrow?

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Wh- Questions

What	What will you do tomorrow?	I will go to the park.
Where	Where will she travel next?	She will travel to Mexico.
When	When will they arrive?	They will arrive at 8 p.m.
Why	Why will he quit his job?	He will quit his job because it is difficult.
Which	Which car will you buy?	I will buy the blue car.
Who	Who will win the game?	The home team will win the game.
How	How will you get there?	I will get there by car.

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Wh- Questions

How much (uncountable nouns)
How much will it cost?
How many (countable nouns)
How many people will attend?
How often (frequency)
How often will you visit?
How long (duration)
How long will the trip take?
How far (distance)
How far will they travel?

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Time Markers

Time expressions help us explain when something will happen in the future.

Tomorrow
Next Week/Year
Soon
In a Few Days

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Time Markers

Time expressions help us explain when something will happen in the future.

I will travel to Japan next month.
They will start the project in two weeks.

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Time Markers

The time expressions can be placed at the beginning to emphasize the timing.

Next month, I will travel to Japan.
In two weeks, they will start the project.

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Other Ways to Talk About the Future

"Shall"
"Going to"
Simple Present Tense
Present Continuous Tense

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Shall

The word "shall" is less commonly used in modern English, but it still appears in formal speech.

Offer and Suggestions
Legal Documents
Polite Expressions.

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Using "Shall" for Offers and Suggestions

"Shall" is often used to offer help or make suggestions, particularly in British English.

Shall I open the window? (Offering to do something)
Shall we go to the park this afternoon? (Making a suggestion)
Shall I help you with your bags? (Polite offer)
Shall we order some food? (Suggestion)

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Using "Shall" for Formal or Legal Statements

In contracts, rules, or laws, "shall" is used to indicate obligation or a formal rule.

The company shall provide health insurance to all employees.
All students shall submit their assignments by the deadline.

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"Shall" vs. "Will" in Future Statements

"Shall" was traditionally used for "I" and "we" to indicate the future. However, in modern English, "will" has almost completely replaced "shall" in general future statements.

I shall call you tomorrow.
We shall arrive at noon.

I will call you tomorrow.
We will arrive at noon.

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Going To

Sometimes, instead of using "will," we use "going to" to talk about plans or intentions.

I am going to start a new project next week.
They are going to buy a new house.

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"Going to" for predictions based on evidence

We can also use "going to" when something is certain or very likely to happen based on evidence.

Look at those black clouds. It's going to rain.
(This is very likely due to the evidence of the weather.)

My mom told me that she's going to have a baby.
(This is a certainty, but it will not happen right away.)

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Using "To Be Going To" in Questions

We can also use "going to" in questions instead of "will."

What will you do tomorrow?
What are you going to do tomorrow?

Where will she travel next?
Where is she going to travel next?

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Simple Present Tense

We use the simple present tense to talk about scheduled or fixed events in the future.

The train leaves at 6 p.m. tomorrow.
Her flight arrives at 8 a.m. next Monday.

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Present Continuous Tense

We can also use the present continuous to talk about future arrangements.

We are meeting them tomorrow at 6 p.m.
I am flying to Paris next week.