

Future with *will*

GRAMMAR

LEVEL
Lower-intermediate

NUMBER
EN_BE_2237G

LANGUAGE
English





Goals

- Can correctly form the future tense with 'will'.
- Can construct short sentences with 'will' in a work context.







Forming the future with *will*

We form the future with ***will*** using **subject + will + a verb** in the **infinitive form**, without to

- He **will** play basketball after work.
- They **will** watch the film tonight.
- I **will** see you tomorrow.

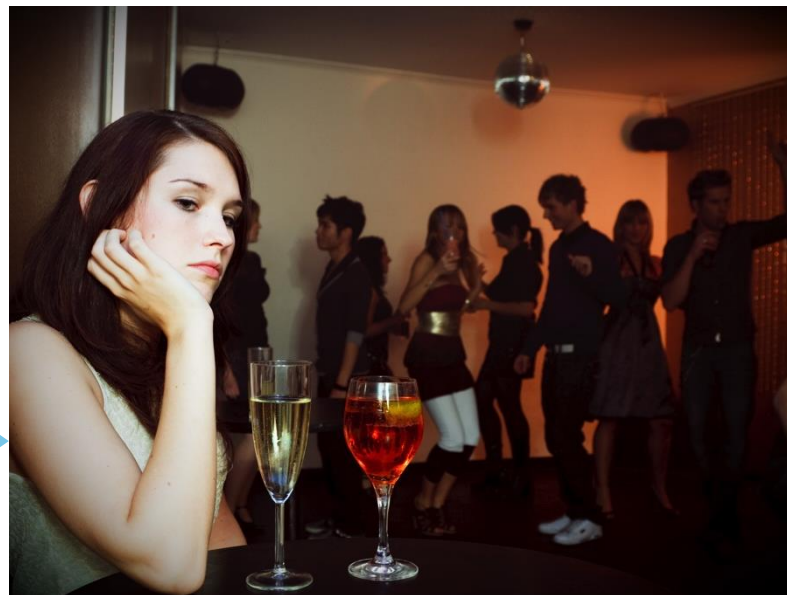




Will not

Adding ***not*** after ***will*** creates a negative sentence.

- I ***will not*** be able to come to the work party.
- He ***will not*** stay at the office until that time.





Will you...?

You can form questions about the future by inverting *will* and the subject.

- Will you bring a copy of the presentation to the meeting?
- Will she be happy with my idea?





Contractions

In spoken English **will** and **will not** are often contracted to **'ll** and **won't**

- I'll look at the report tomorrow.
- He'll be here soon!
- The director won't be happy about that.





Read these examples

- Here are some more examples of future with **will**:



Everyone **will** want to see you!

We **will** be unhappy if our pizza is late.



You'**ll** be very pleased with our sales.

I **won't** be back until next year.





Complete the sentences

Fill in the gaps using the correct word from the box

1. Mr Grant _____ see you now.
2. Jane will _____ out dancing all night.
3. I _____ come to the party, I'm too tired.
4. Terry will _____ football with us tonight.
5. Will _____ come over after work?
6. They _____ like that idea; it's too different.

you

will

won't

go

won't

play



Order the sentences

A

He

come

meeting.

the

won't

to

B

They

an

us

give

answer.

will



Will you or won't you?



Complete the dialogue



Good morning Aaron!

I think I _____ be ready to see your report next week.

Hi Jan. Unfortunately, I _____ be in the office next week. I _____ be on vacation.



When _____ you be in the office again?

I'll _____ back in two weeks.





Role-play

Using the previous dialogue to help you, imagine you are informing a colleague when you will be out of the office.





Use of future with *will*

One of the main uses of **will** is to express something **certain** in the future.



This experiment **will** give us the answer.



Look at these sentences

The future with **will** is often also used with **facts**



The office **will** be closed on Sunday.

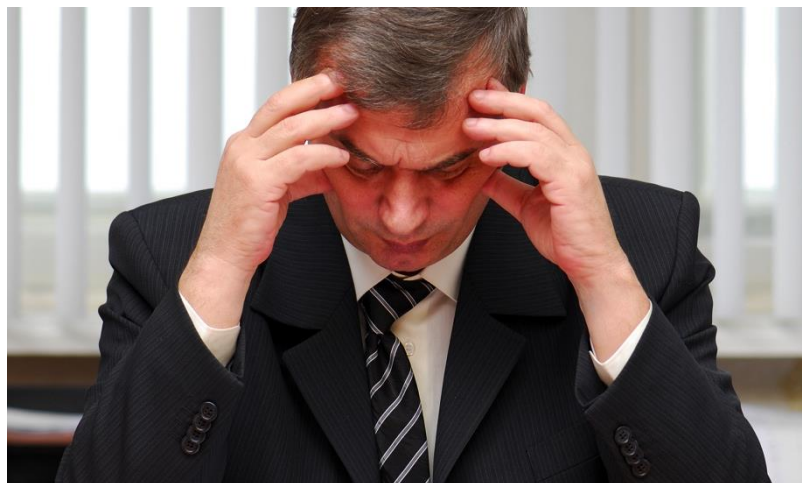
The sun **will** rise tomorrow.





Use of future with *will*

The future with *will* is also used for **predicting** the future.



The meeting **will** be a disaster.

They **will** tell us no, for sure!



Expressing predictions

We often make predictions based on our **opinions** and **beliefs**.

Will is often used with an **opinion verb** to express a prediction.

Look at the following examples:

I **think** that he'll come to the party.

Do you **think** he **will** tell us the truth?

They **believe** she **will** know the answer.



Categorise

Divide the following sentences into the two uses of future with *will*.

The moon will appear tonight.

I will be 25 years old next year.

He will be happy to hear that.

They will win the competition.

It will be a fun weekend.

The water will boil at 100 degrees.

I think they'll like the idea.

The bank will close at 5pm.

Facts

Predictions



What will they do next?

Make predictions for each of the pictures below



will



will



won't



won't



Resolve the problems

**These people are not very happy with you!
What will you do?**

You lost their
mobile phone



Your report was
full of mistakes



You forgot a
customer's order



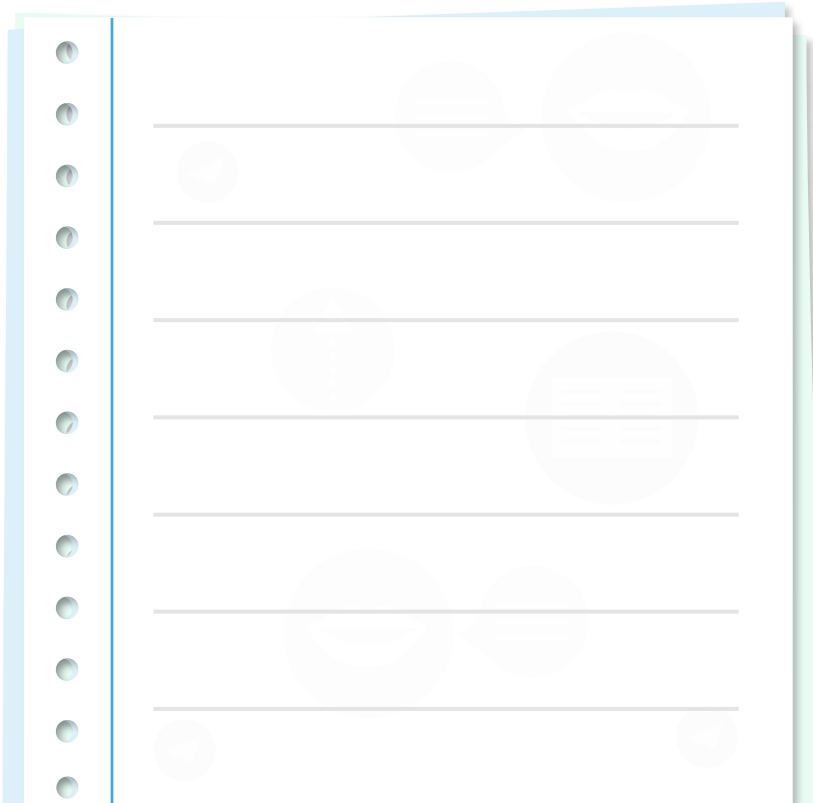
You told them
the wrong day
for the meeting





Write

**Choose one of the images from the last slide.
Write a short text about what you will do next to solve the problem**





Adverbs

The adverb **probably** is often used with **will** when a prediction is increasingly likely.



They will **probably** take a flight to Madrid tomorrow.



Adverbs

You can also use **definitely** when making a prediction that is extremely likely.



I'll **definitely** be at the meeting tomorrow.



Adverbs

The adverb can be placed either directly **before** or directly **after *will*** in an affirmative sentence.

Look at these examples:

She probably **will** make it to the meeting tomorrow.

She **will** probably make it to the meeting tomorrow.



Look at the pictures

Make a prediction
using the adverbs
probably or *definitely*



A pay increase at work tomorrow



Go back to school to gain more
qualifications



A brand-new laptop at work



A new job next week



Discuss

Look at the situations described below. Talk to a partner about what you think will happen next



Your boss calls
at 2 am

Someone steals
your work
laptop

You lose the
keys to your
office

You forget to
send your boss
a document

Your company
has no money

Your company
opens a new
office abroad

You give a great
presentation at
work

You arrive late
at the office

Your manager
wants a
meeting with
you



Speaking

A larger company buys your company. They want to make lots of changes. What will happen next?



Explain what is certain to happen in the future.

Make a prediction about what you believe will happen in the future.





Write an email

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To: ALL

Subject: Changes coming to the company

Dear all,

I would like to tell you about some changes.

These will happen in the next couple of months....

Write an email to your colleagues about the news from the previous slide. Try to explain what you think will happen



Reflect on the goals

Go back to the second slide of the lesson and check if you have achieved all the goals of the lesson.

yes

no





Reflect on this lesson

Think about everything you have seen in this lesson.
What were the most difficult activities or words? The easiest?



If you have time, go over
the most difficult slides again



Answer key

Exercise 1, p.9

1. will
2. go
3. won't
4. play
5. you
6. you't

Exercise 2, p.10

A – He won't come to the meeting
B – They will give us an answer

Exercise 3, p.11

Will ('ll), won't, will ('ll), will, be





Write goals

**Write about your English learning.
Use will to write about the future and set 5 language goals for yourself.**

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will

will not

learn to play the
saxophone

become a film star

get a tattoo

visit Paris

go sky-diving

learn judo

study ballet

volunteer in a soup kitchen

take a cruise

go to the moon



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