

All about *will*

GRAMMAR

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Intermediate

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English

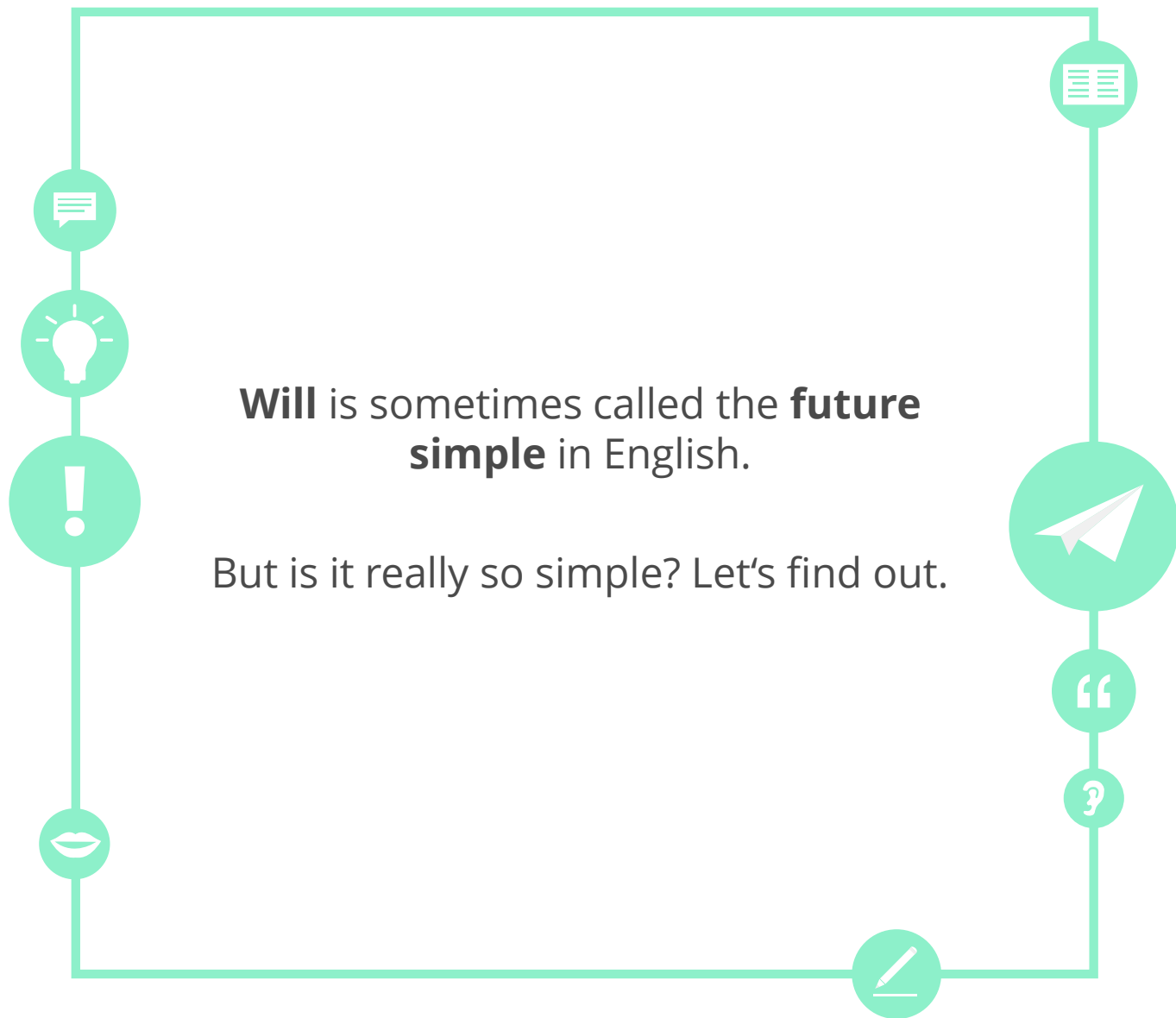




Goals

- Can provide a straightforward explanation of when to use 'will', including examples.
- Can use 'will' to discuss future plans and ambitions.

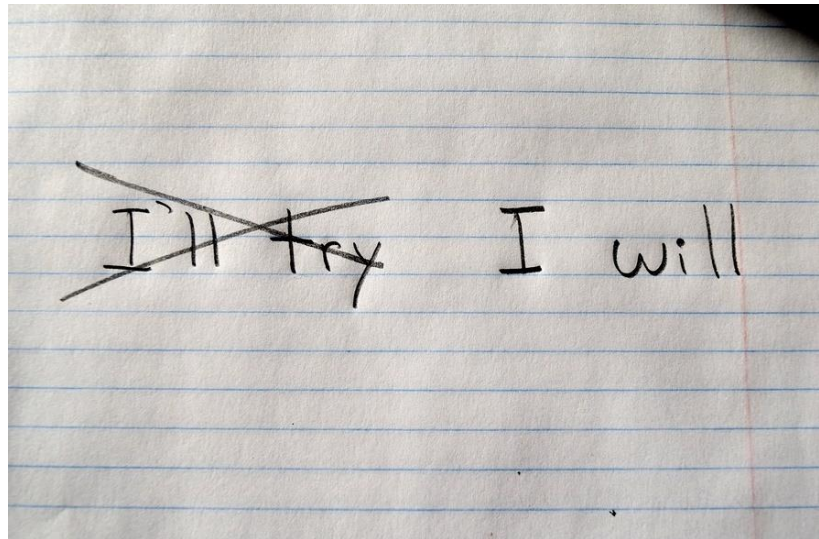






Preview and warm-up

In this lesson you are going to learn about different uses of **will** to talk about the future.



I **will** concentrate hard today.



Will for the future

- We use **will** to express an **opinion, hope, or uncertainty** about the **future**.
- We often use words such as **think, hope, and probably**.

Positive	Negative
I hope I will have enough money to go on holiday this year.	I hope she won't tell anyone.
In my opinion, the product will sell well.	In my opinion, the product won't sell well.
I think this will be a good deal.	This deal won't go well.



Making predictions

We use **will** to make **predictions**:

- When we **cannot see** any **evidence** for something.
- When we **cannot influence** the event, or it is a **fact**.

Positive	Negative
I think I will get the job.	I don't think I'll get the job.
I hope we will win the match on Saturday.	I hope they won't win the match on Saturday.
It'll probably be easy to find a hotel room in Spain in January.	It probably won't be easy to find a hotel room in Spain in July.
John will be 51 next week.	-



Fill in the gaps

Fill in the gaps with the correct verb and then answer the questions.

will go

will be

will look like

will call

will retire

1. Do you know when the new production line _____ introduced?
2. At what age do you think you _____?
3. I am in a meeting right now, but please leave a message and I _____ you later.
4. What do you think our revenue _____ next year?
5. Where _____ you _____ for your next holiday?





Read the dialogue with your classmates or teacher



Dave, what do you think your life will be like in 10 years' time?

I don't think I'll be married! I hope I will have a good job.

I hope I will be a journalist – but I will probably still be an intern.

I hope I will be married. What about you?

What job do you think you'll have?



About you

What do you think your life will be like in 5, 10 and 30 years' time?



relationship

work

hobbies

money



Make predictions

Make predictions about the future of these people.





What do you think?

**Think about the year 2050. Will these predictions be true?
Fill in the gaps with either will or won't and explain your choice to your teacher.**

1. We _____ all have self-driving cars.
2. We _____ be able to travel to the moon on holiday.
3. People _____ be living on the moon.
4. Children _____ have robot teachers.
5. Robots _____ look after old people.
6. People _____ do all of their shopping online.





Economic predictions

Now make some predictions about the global economy in 10 years' time.



I think China's economy will dominate the global economy



George

George is from England. He is moving to your city for a job at your company in June.

Look at the questions he is asking on the next page.





Match the beginnings and the endings

1. Will I have to...

→ purchase health insurance?

2. Will I be legally obliged to...

→ be like?

3. Will the people...

→ dress smartly?

4. What will the weather...

→ a good meal cost in a restaurant?

5. How much will...

→ be able to speak English?



Answer the questions

Now take turns answering
George's questions.





Will for promises

- We use *will* or *won't* when we make **promises**.

I will call you back in ten minutes.

I won't watch TV tonight.

I will let Sandra know that you called.

I won't tell anyone.

I'll give it back tomorrow.

I won't be late.





Will for offers and decisions

- We also use **will** for **offers** and **decisions** which we make at the **moment of speaking**.

I'm so tired.	I'll help you get your presentation done.
I don't know how I'm going to get to the airport.	I'll drive you.
The telephone is ringing.	I'll answer it.
Someone needs to take the minutes for today's meeting.	I'll do it.
What would you like?	I'll have the fish, please.
Which one do you want to buy?	I'll take the red one.



Are these promises, offers or decisions?

I'll have the steak,
please.

I won't spend too
much.

I'll lend you some
money.

I won't be late.

I'll take the brown
briefcase.

I'll pick you up on
my way to work if
you want?



Match the beginnings and endings. Who might say these things?

When is the meeting tomorrow?

I'm being transferred to our office in London.

There are a lot of mistakes in this report.

I hear you are not happy with Theo's work.

That's exciting! When will you meet everybody on your new team?

Yeah, I think I'll have to hire a new assistant.

Noon. I'll send you the agenda.

We will correct them by tomorrow.



Discuss what these people are saying. Use *will*.





Business predictions

Make predictions about the following topics using 'will'.



Age of retirement



Investment in renewable energy



Women working



Remote work



Game

I don't think you
will...

Can you guess what your classmates will
do this evening?

You sound tired, I think you **will** fall asleep on the sofa when you get
home!



Answer key

Exercise p. 7

1. will be, 2. will retire, 3. will call, 4. will look like, 5. will go

Exercise p. 14

1. dress smartly?
2. purchase health insurance?
3. be able to speak English?
4. be like?
5. a good meal cost in a restaurant?

Exercise p. 18

- Decisions: I'll have the steak, please. I'll take the brown briefcase.
Promises: I won't spend too much. I won't be late.
Offers: I'll lend you some money. I'll pick you up on my way to work if you want?

Exercise p. 19

- When is the meeting tomorrow? → Noon. I'll send you the agenda.
There are a lot of mistakes in this report. → We will correct them by tomorrow.
I'm being transferred to our office in London. → That's exciting! When will you meet everybody in your new team?
I hear you are not happy with Theo's work. → Yeah, I think I'll have to hire a new assistant.



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.

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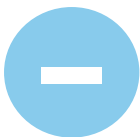
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Reflect on this lesson

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





In 100 years' time...

1. People _____ less time at home.
2. Everyone in the world _____ a mobile phone.
3. We _____ cars anymore.
4. People _____ paper books anymore.
5. People _____ writing letters completely.

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will spend
won't have
will have
won't read



Writing

Write five of your own sentences about what will happen in 100 years' time.

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Answer key

Exercise p. 27

1. will spend, 2. will have, 3. won't have 4. won't read, 5. will stop

