

FUTURE: WILL VS. GOING TO

Com'è bello parlare del futuro! Talmente bello che in inglese ci sono tanti modi per farlo. Il futuro semplice **Will** e la costruzione **to be going to** sono fra queste. Ma che differenza c'è, e quando usare una o l'altra? Scoprilò e impara con questa scheda didattica.

QUICK GUIDE / RIPASSO VELOCE

Per parlare del futuro, possiamo usare sia **will** sia **be going to**, ma in occasioni diverse.

WILL

- decisione presa sul momento → **I'm thirsty. I'll get some water.**
- offerta o promessa → **I'll help you.**
- previsione basata su un'opinione → **I think the party will be fun.**

BE GOING TO

- piano o intenzione già decisi → **I'm going to study tonight.**
- previsione basata su segnali che vediamo già → **Look at those clouds! It's going to rain.**

Regola lampo:

WILL = decido/penso adesso.

GOING TO = avevo già deciso / vedo già i segnali.



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Which future tense should I use? / Che futuro devo usare?

Osserva ogni immagine e completa la frase scegliendo la forma corretta.



Example

Tom: "I can't carry all these books." Leo: "Don't worry. I _____ help you."

☐ am going to ☒ will



1. "I _____ make a sandwich."

☐ am going to ☐ will



2. "I _____ visit Grandma this weekend."

☐ am going to ☐ will



3. "It _____ rain."

☐ is going to ☐ will



4. "I'm sure our team _____ win the match."

☐ is going to ☐ will



5. "I _____ make pasta tonight."

☐ am going to ☐ will



6. "I _____ lend you mine."
☐ am going to ☐ will



7. "I guess you _____ enjoy the concert."
☐ are going to ☐ will

2 Why Do I Say This? / Perché dico così?

Leggi ogni frase e collegala con una freccia al motivo per cui il parlante usa **will** o **be going to**.

Frase

1. I think you'll love this book.
2. I forgot my lunch. I'll buy something at the café.
3. We're going to visit our cousins next weekend. We've already booked the train.
4. Don't worry. I'll carry your bag.
5. Look at that dog! It's going to jump into the pool.
6. I'm thirsty. I'll get some water.

Motivi

- A. La previsione si basa su segnali già presenti.
- B. Il parlante ha già deciso un piano.
- C. La previsione si basa sull'opinione del parlante.
- D. Il parlante offre aiuto o fa una promessa.
- E. Il parlante prende una decisione in questo momento.
- F. La previsione si basa sull'opinione del parlante.



3 Future Fix-It! / Sistemiamo il futuro!

In ogni frase c'è un errore nella scelta tra **will** e **be going to**.
Trovalo e riscrivi la frase scegliendo la forma corretta.

Example

Look at those clouds! It will rain.

→ **Look at those clouds! It is going to rain.**

1. I'm tired. I'm going to make some tea. (You decide this now.)
→ _____
2. I will go to Tom's birthday party next Saturday. (The plan was decided before now.)
→ _____
3. Don't worry. I am going to help you with your homework. (You decide to offer help now.)
→ _____
4. I promise I'm going to call you when I get home. (You make the promise now.)
→ _____
5. I think our class is going to win the competition. (This is only my opinion.)
→ _____

4 Future from Clues! / Costruisci la frase!

Costruisci una frase completa usando gli indizi. Scegli **will** o **be going** to in base alla situazione.

Example

plan already decided / Emma / visit her cousins / train tickets bought

→ **Emma is going to visit her cousins.**

1. decision now / Jake / open the door

→ _____

2. promise / Lily / send you the photo

→ _____

3. opinion / I think / this game / be fun

→ _____

4. present evidence / that glass / fall

→ _____

5. intention already decided / Alex / start a new hobby

→ _____



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Put the Dialogue in Order! / Metti in ordine il dialogo!

Leggi i quattro piccoli dialoghi riportati di seguito. Le battute sono state messe in disordine: rimettile nell'ordine corretto per ricostruire ogni dialogo. Presta attenzione al contesto!

Example

A. Ben: Thanks!

B. Ben: The phone is ringing.

C. Mia: I'll answer it.

→ **B → C → A**

- 1.** A. Leo: That sounds exciting!
B. Sara: I'm going to join the school art club.
C. Leo: What are you going to do after school?

→ _____

- 2.** A. Emma: I'll turn the light on.
B. Jack: Thanks!
C. Jack: It's getting dark in here.

→ _____

- 3.** A. Tom: I think it will be really funny.
B. Tom: Are you going to watch the new comedy tonight?
C. Nina: Yes, I am. I've heard it's great.

→ _____

- 4.** B. Jack: It starts at seven. We're going to leave at six thirty.
C. Emma: What time does the film start?
A. Emma: Great! I'll be ready by then.

→ _____

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1 Activity 1

Example will; 1 will; 2 am going to; 3 is going to; 4 will; 5 am going to; 6 will; 7 will.

2 Activity 2

1 C / 2 E / 3 B / 4 D / 5 A

3 Activity 3

1 I'll make some tea.

2 I'm going to go to Tom's birthday party next Saturday.

3 I'll help you with my homework.

4 I promise I'll call you when I get home.

5 I think our class will win the competition.

4 Activity 4

1 Jake will open the door.

2 Lily will send you the photo.

3 I think this game will be fun.

4 That glass is going to fall.

5 Alex is going to start a new hobby.

5 Activity 5

1 C → B → A. 2 C → A → B. 3 B → C → A. 4 C → B → A.