

# Will or going to: grammar exercise

Complete the following sentences using appropriate future forms.

In English, we use several different forms to talk about future events. The forms with 'will' are mainly used to talk about your promises and willingness to do something. They are also used to make simple predictions and show your reactions to something that was just said.

Use going to to talk about planned future events or events that you see is about to happen. In some cases, either could be used.

Complete the following sentences with will or going to.

1. I can't lift this box. OK. I ..... help you.

will

am going to

2. I don't think that she ..... recognize me.

will

is going to

3. Careful! You ..... fall.

will

are going to

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4. She ..... graduate next year.

will

is going to

Either could be used here

5. The flight ..... at 9 pm.

departs

will depart

6. I ..... meet your dad tomorrow afternoon.

am going to

will

7. He is very hard-working. I think he  
..... be very successful.

will

is going to

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8. .... you marry me?

Will

Are you going to

9. Who do you think ..... win the championship?

will

is going to

10. I ..... to America next month.

fly

will fly

am flying

## Answers

1. OK. I will help you. (We use will to show our reactions to something we were just told.)

2. I don't think that she will recognize me. (To make simple predictions about the future, we use will.)

3. Careful! You are going to fall. (If there is external evidence we use 'going to' to make future predictions.)

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4. She is going to / will graduate next year.
5. The flight departs at 9 pm. (To talk about time-tabled future events, we use simple present tense.)
6. I'm going to meet your dad tomorrow afternoon.
7. He is very hard-working. I think he will be very successful.
8. Will you marry me?
9. Who do you think will win the championship?
10. I'm flying to America next month.