

Will vs Going to

Use **will** for decisions made as you speak, predictions based on opinion, offers and promises: *I'll help you.* Use **going to** for plans made before speaking and predictions based on what you can see now: *I'm going to study medicine. Look at those clouds: it's going to rain.*

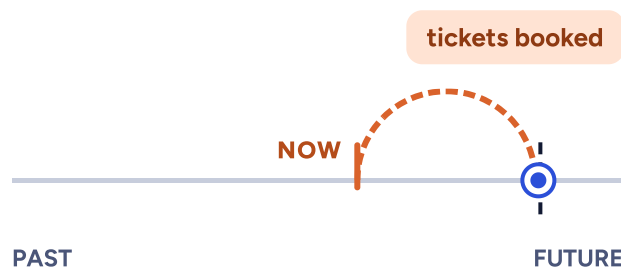
WILL · DECIDED NOW, OPINION

Maybe **I'll go** to Greece.



GOING TO · PLANNED BEFORE, EVIDENCE NOW

I'm going to go to Greece. I've booked it.



1. Choose the right answer Circle a or b.

- It's hot in here. — I _____ the window.
a) 'll open b) 'm going to open
- We _____ get married in June. We've booked the venue.
a) 'll b) 're going to
- Careful! That glass _____ fall.
a) will b) is going to
- I think Ana _____ the job. She's perfect for it.
a) will get b) is getting
- Why did you buy paint? — I _____ the kitchen.
a) 'll paint b) 'm going to paint

2. Correct the mistake

Each sentence has one mistake. Write the correct sentence.

1. I've decided: I will study medicine.

2. Wait, I'm going to help you!

3. Look out! You will fall!

3. Your turn

Write two sentences about your own life: one with **Will** and one with **Going to**. Then explain the difference to a partner.

See the rule move

The full lesson, with more pictures, examples and a quiz that checks your answers, is free at clarigram.app/compare/will-vs-going-to

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1. Choose the right answer

1. **a) 'll open** An offer decided at the moment of speaking takes will.
2. **b) 're going to** A plan made before speaking takes going to.
3. **b) is going to** You can see it about to happen.
4. **a) will get** A prediction based on opinion (I think) takes will.
5. **b) 'm going to paint** The plan existed before (you already bought paint).

2. Correct the mistake

1. **I've decided: I'm going to study medicine.** The decision was made before speaking, so it takes going to.
2. **Wait, I'll help you!** An offer decided on the spot takes will.
3. **Look out! You're going to fall!** You can see it about to happen: evidence now takes going to.

3. Your turn

Answers will vary. Check that each sentence follows the rule on page 1, or paste them into Clarigram to have them checked.