

# THE FUTURE SIMPLE: WILL

The **future simple** is used to express an action which has not occurred yet and will occur after speaking or in the future.

# HOW DO WE FORM THE FUTURE SIMPLE?

The future simple is formed as follows:

Subject pronoun + will/ 'll + verb (infinitive)

# The affirmative form

I, you, he, she, it, we, you, they will/ 'll go

## Examples

- I think I will buy a new computer.
- I'll open the door. Someone is ringing the bell.
- He will start a new business next year.

# The interrogative form

Will I, you, he, she, it, we, you, they go?

# Examples

- Will you buy a bigger house?
- Will you go to the party?
- Will you change your look next summer?



## The negative form

I, you, he, she, it, we, you, they will not / won't go

#### Examples

- I will not stay at home if I finish my homework.
- I won't go out if it rains.
- I will not lend you any money tomorrow.

## WHEN DO WE USE THE PAST CONTINUOUS?



• We use the simple future for instant or spontaneous decisions:

**Examples**: I have left the door open; I will close it. Someone is ringing the bell; I'll open the door.

• We use the simple future <u>when we predict a future situation</u>:

**Examples:** She will pass the exam. She is hardworking. I will not arrive on time to the meeting.

• We use the simple future <u>with: I (don't) think..., I expect..., I'm</u> <u>sure..., I wonder..., probably:</u>

Examples: It will probably rain tonight. I wonder what will happen.

• We use the simple future in conditional sentences type 1:

**Examples**: If I have enough time, I will watch the film. If it rains today, I'll stay at home.



# Remember!

1. You can use **shall** instead of **will** for **I** and **we**:

- I shall play football = I will play football.
- We **shall play** football = We will play football.

2.'II is the short form of will. You can say either:

- I will go, or
- |**'ll go**.

3. Won't is the short form of will not. You can say either:

- I will not go, or
- I won't go.

# **WORKSHEET**

1) Fill in the gaps with the correct form (affirmative or negative) of the future simple.

James, 18 years old, asked an ugly fortune teller about his future. Here is what she told him:

- 1. You (be) .....very happy.
- 2. You (get)..... a lot of money.
- 3. You (buy) .....a beautiful house.
- 4. Your friends (envy) ..... you.
- 5. You (meet) .....a beautiful girl.
- 6. You (marry) .....her.
- 7. You and your wife (travel) .....around the world.
- 8. People (serve).....you.
- 9. They (not/refuse) .....to make you happy.
- 10.But all this (happen / only) ..... when you are 70 years old.

# 2) Build up negative sentences in the future simple with these words:

1.	(I / answer / the question):
2.	(she / read / the book):
3.	(they / drink / beer):
4.	(we / send / the postcard):
5.	(James / open / the door):
6.	(we / listen / to the radio):
7.	(they / eat / fish):
8.	(she / give / him / the apple):
9.	(the computer / crash):
10	. (you/catch/the 10.30 am train):

# 3) Write questions in the future simple:

1. (you / ask / him):
2. (Jenny / lock / the door):
3. (it / rain):
4. (the teacher / test / our English):
5. (what / they / eat):
6. (when / she / be / back):
7. (who / drive / us / into town):
8. (where / we / meet):
9. (when / I / be / famous):
10.(where / we / meet):

