Talking about the future

Will

We use will when we decide to do something at the moment we speak.

A: Tomorrow is Daniel’s birthday.
B: Oh, yes! You’re right. I have forgotten about it. I’ll buy a present for him.

We also use will to talk about what we think or know will happen in the future.

I think it’ll be easy for him to pass the exam.

What do you think life will be in 200 years from now? Complete using will or won’t.

Everyone ______________ speak the same language around the world.

The world’s climate ____________ change.

People ____________ have a better standard of living.

Everyone ______________ have a robot at home.

People _____________ study hard.

Workers ____________ enjoy longer holidays.

Everyone ____________ earn higher salaries.

People ____________ be happier.
Read the sentences in A and decide what to do. Use “I think I’ll…” and the words in B.

A                                      B
1) It’s cold in this room.                get something to drink.
2) I’m thirsty.                           close the window.
3) My room is a mess.                    turn off the heating.
4) It’s terribly hot here.               buy a new one.
5) The radio doesn’t work.               tidy it.

e.g.: It’s cold in this room. I think I’ll close the window.

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Going to

We use going to to talk about future plans decided before the time of speaking.

A: What are you going to do next summer?
B: We’re going to spend the whole summer by the sea.

We also use “going to” when we can see a future action coming because of the present situation.

Look at that child! He’s going to fall off his bike!

Read and then write down the resolutions you think these people are going to make.

1) He’s very fat and he’d like to be slimmer.
   ____________________________________________________.

2) They’re moving to Spain next year. They can’t speak Spanish yet.
   ____________________________________________________.

3) We have U$S 500 savings and we need another U$S 500 to buy a new computer.
   ____________________________________________________.

4) She’s fed up with her job and she thinks she needs a new one.
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5) He smokes more than 30 cigarettes a day and always coughs a lot.
   ____________________________________________________.
What have you decided to do tomorrow? Are you going to do these things?

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Make true sentences to answer
e.g.: I’m going to listen to music.

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Will or Going to?

Choose the correct form

1) Why don’t you join us? ______________________________
   (You’ll enjoy/you’re going to enjoy) the game.

2) Look at her belly! ______________________________
   (She’s going to have/ she’ll have) a baby.

3) It’s too dark outside! ______________________________
   (It’s going to rain/ it’ll rain).

4) Don’t eat so much! ______________________________
   (You’ll make/ you’re going to make) upset your stomach.