**Unit Fourteen / Future Simple Tense**

**The simple future** is a verb tense that’s used to talk about things or actions that haven’t happened yet, i.e., things or actions that will happen in the future.

**The adverbs of time** that are used with this tense (that indicate the time of the future)**:** tomorrow / later / soon / next week / next Sunday / next ………. / the next day / the day after tomorrow / then /

Or certain expressions that indicate the time of the future**:**

in the future / in 2 days / in 2033, this year / this October …etc.,

**How to form the verb in the simple future?**

**1.** The first structure will follow the structure:

**S. + will + base verb + ……….**

**e.g.** The novelist **will complete** his first novel this October.

They **will arrive** in the evening.

She **will bake** the pies.

In forming Interrogative: **Will** they **arrive** in the evening?

**In forming the negative:** They **will not** **arrive** in the evening.

Or They **won’t arrive** in the evening.

**2.** The second structure will follow this formula**:**

S. + **be** (am / is / are) + **going to + base verb** + complement.

**e.g.**  I **am going to win** this race.

She **is going to move** to Europe.

They **are going to study** abroad.

In forming Interrogative: **Is** she **going to** move to Europe**?**

**In forming the negative:** She **is** **not** **going to** move to Europe

When to use **Will** and when to use **Be going to** when we refer the future**?**

When to use WILL

**a.** For things that we decide to do now. (Rapid Decisions)

This is when you make a decision at that moment**,** in a spontaneous way**.**

**e.g.** I **will buy** one for you too.

I think I will try one of those**.** (I just decided this right now)

**b.** When we think or believe something about the future. (Prediction)

**e.g.** My team **will not win** the league this season.

I think it **will rain** later so take an umbrella with you.

**c.** To make an offer**,** a request**,** a promise or a threat.

**e.g.** I **will give** you a discount if you buy it right now. (offer)

I promise I **will behave** next time. (promise)

I **will take** you to the movies if you'd like.

**d.** You use WON'T when someone refuses to do something.

**e.g.** I told him to take out the trash but he **won't do** it.

My kids **won't listen** to anything I say.

My car **won't start**.

When to use GOING TO

a. When we have already decided or we INTEND to do something in the future.

(Prior Plan) i.e., the decision has been made before the moment of speaking.

**e.g.** They **are going to retire** to the beach. (they have already bought a little beach house).

I **am going to accept** the job offer.

b. When there are definite signs that something is going to happen. (Evidence)

i.e., something is likely to happen based on the evidence or experience you have.

**e.g.** I think it is going to rain - I just felt a drop.

I don't feel well**.** I think I **am going to throw** up. (throw up = vomit)

c. When something is about to happen:

**e.g.** Get back! The bomb **is going to explode**.

**Q.** Fill in the blanks with either (**will)** or (**be + going to)** to complete the sentence.

**Example:** Susan is always late. I'm sure **she** **……………….**be late tomorrow**,** too.

Susan is always late. I'm sure **she** **is going to** be late tomorrow**,** too**.**

1. I don’t think they ………………………………. their holidays by the sea again.

2. Watch out**!** You ………………………………... hurt yourself.

3. If you don’t stop bullying her**,** I ……………….……………. tell the teacher.

4. It’s 5 o’clock already**.** I ……………………………………… miss the bus.

5. I ………………………………………. have coffee**,** please**.**