Will vs Going To Worksheet: Future Forms

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Form	Example
going to: plans and intentions	I'm going to learn to drive this year.
going to: prediction from what you see	Look at the sky. It's going to rain.
will: decisions now, offers, promises, opinions	I'll help you. I think she'll win.
present continuous: fixed arrangements	I'm meeting Sara at six tomorrow.

Typical mistakes

× Learners often say	✓ Say instead
I will visit my aunt tomorrow, I booked the train.	I'm going to visit my aunt tomorrow; I've booked the train.
The phone is ringing. I'm going to get it!	The phone is ringing. I'll get it!
Look at those clouds. It will rain.	Look at those clouds. It's going to rain.

1. Complete

Complete with will or going to and the verb in brackets.

1. 'The phone's ringing.' 'I _____ (get) it.'
2. We _____ (move) to a bigger flat next year. We've already found one.
3. Watch out! You _____ (fall).
4. I promise I _____ (not / tell) anyone.
5. I think it _____ (be) a great party.
6. She _____ (study) medicine. She's applied to three universities.
7. 'I'm cold.' 'I _____ (close) the window.'
8. Maybe they _____ (call) later.
9. He _____ (start) a new job in May. It's all agreed.
10. 'Is that heavy? I _____ (carry) it for you.'

2. Choose

Circle the best option.

1. I've decided: I (will / am going to) quit my job.
2. 'We've run out of milk.' 'I (will / am going to) buy some.'
3. I (meet / am meeting) the dentist at four tomorrow.
4. I think robots (will / are going to) do most jobs one day.
5. Look at that car! It (will / is going to) crash!
6. Don't worry, I (won't / am not going to) be late. I promise.
7. What (will you do / are you doing) this weekend? Any plans?
8. Shall I help? — Yes, thanks. (Will / Shall) you hold this?

3. Correct the mistakes

Correct the mistake in each sentence.

1. I will to call you tomorrow.

2. Look at those clouds. It will rain.

3. 'The door bell!' 'I am going to open it.'

4. She going to buy a car.

5. I think he wins the election.

6. We will meet the client at 10 tomorrow, it's in the diary.

Writing

Write 6 sentences about your plans and predictions for next year: three plans with going to and three predictions or promises with will.

Speaking

- What are you going to do this weekend?
- What arrangements do you have for next week? Who are you meeting?
- What do you think your city will be like in twenty years?
- Make three promises to yourself for next month with I'll...

Answer key

1. Complete: 1 'll get · 2 are going to move · 3 are going to fall · 4 won't tell · 5 will be · 6 is going to study · 7 'll close · 8 will call · 9 is going to start / is starting · 10 'll carry

2. Choose: 1 am going to · 2 will · 3 am meeting · 4 will · 5 is going to · 6 won't · 7 are you doing · 8 Will

3. Correct the mistakes: 1 I will call you tomorrow. · 2 Look at those clouds. It's going to rain. · 3 'The door bell!' 'I'll open it.' · 4 She's going to buy a car. · 5 I think he'll win the election. · 6 We're meeting the client at 10 tomorrow, it's in the diary.

Writing, model answer: Next year I'm going to change jobs. I'm going to take an online course in marketing, and I'm going to save money for a trip to Japan. I think prices will go up again. My brother will probably get married. And I promise I'll call my grandmother every Sunday.