**Future Tense with “Going To” – *What is Sara going to do?***

Below is Sara’s schedule for next week. Read it and then answer the questions that follow in complete sentences.

**Sara’s Schedule**

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<td>Morning</td>
<td>doctor’s appointment</td>
<td>meet with boss</td>
<td>return library books</td>
<td>attend conference</td>
<td>go to gym</td>
<td>clean apartment</td>
<td>visit grandmother</td>
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<td>Afternoon</td>
<td>buy groceries for the week</td>
<td>go to gym</td>
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<td>attend conference</td>
<td>buy food for party</td>
<td>cook, prepare for party</td>
<td>take nephew to the zoo</td>
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<td>Evening</td>
<td>movie with Dave</td>
<td>do work reports</td>
<td>dinner with girlfriends</td>
<td>do the ironing</td>
<td>dinner with parents</td>
<td>party</td>
<td>relax at home</td>
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*Ex. What is Sara going to do on Sunday morning? She’s going to visit her grandmother.*

1. When is Sara going to see the doctor?

2. How many times is Sara going to go to the gym next week?

3. When is Sara going to have a party?

4. Who is Sara going to see a movie with?

5. When is Sara going to have dinner with her parents?

6. What is Sara going to do on Saturday before her party?

7. What is Sara going to do during the day on Thursday?

8. How many times is Sara going to be at the grocery store next week?
Future Tense with “Going To” – Discussing Future Plans

Choose the correct word from the list below to complete the following sentences. Use the correct form of the future tense with “going to”.

hang / wear / practice / get / ask / visit / write clean / study / exchange / quit / take / give / fix

ex. My brother sent me a letter last week. I’m going to write him back tomorrow.

1. My house is very dirty. I ___________________ it tomorrow.

2. Miriam is going to a party next Saturday. She _________________ her new red dress.

3. Robert bought a new painting at the art show. He _________________ it over the sofa in his living room.

4. The hockey championship is next month. The boys _________________ every night next week.

5. Jack hates his job. He _________________ next week.

6. We have a math exam in three days. We _________________ very hard for the next few days.

7. It’s very cold and rainy outside now. I _________________ a nice, hot bath as soon as I get home from this soccer game.

8. Ellie has a hair appointment for this afternoon. She _________________ her hair cut and colored.

9. I had a flat tire on my car yesterday. My husband _________________ it later today.

10. It’s our parents’ anniversary tomorrow. We _________________ them a gift certificate to a beautiful new restaurant.

11. Sue got a sweater from her mother-in-law for her birthday. It didn’t fit, so she _________________ it for a larger size.

12. Sam just got his driver’s license. He _________________ his father to let him borrow the car next weekend.

13. Their grandmother is in the hospital. They _________________ her next weekend.
Future Tense with “Going To” – Future Plans

Read the following sentences and add another one using “going to” and your own ideas.

Ex. She has a bad toothache. She’s going to call the dentist.
or She’s going to take an aspirin.

1. He doesn’t understand the meaning of that word.

2. She wants to see the new movie but doesn’t know what time it starts.

3. Bill wants to change jobs.

4. Grandma feels very tired.

5. Carla is baking a cake and just ran out of sugar.

6. Howard needs to mail a package.

7. Rhonda and Murray are thinking about taking a holiday but don’t know where to go.

8. Someone stole our car last night.

9. Margaret gained ten pounds in the past month.
Future Tense with “Going To” – Making Predictions

What’s Going to Happen?
Directions: Match the sentences on the left with the words on the right. Then write the complete sentences below using the future tense.

D 1. I didn’t study for the test.                A. take the next plane
   2. He’s driving too fast.                 B. have a backache
   3. Frank always eats too much.            C. rain
   4. He forgot to return his books to the library. D. fail
   5. There are large black clouds in the sky.  E. call a service station
   6. Mr. and Mrs. Manning missed their flight. F. get a stomachache
   7. Phillip has a fever.                   G. sink
   8. Ellen and Bob are buying a lot of food and wine. H. have an accident
   9. Marie is lifting very heavy boxes.      I. take an aspirin
  10. The boat is full of water.              J. break her leg
  11. John just ate four big hamburgers.      K. have a party
  12. Kristin is a terrible skier.            L. get fat
  13. Her car broke down.                    M. have to pay a fine

1. I didn’t study for the test. I’m going to fail.
2. ____________________________________________
3. ____________________________________________
4. ____________________________________________
5. ____________________________________________
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8. ____________________________________________
9. ____________________________________________
10. __________________________________________
11. __________________________________________
12. __________________________________________
13. __________________________________________
Future Tense with “Will”

A. Note: We use “will” for future actions when we decide to do something at the time of speaking. (Do not use “will” to express future plans that have already been made at the time of speaking.)

ex. It’s very hot in here. I’m going to travel to Europe next summer. (plan has already been made)

Okay. I’ll open the window.

Complete the following sentences with will (I’ll) and the correct verb from the list below.
call / have / water / walk / mail / go

1. Would you like tea or coffee?
   ___________ tea, please.

2. Would you like a ride home?
   No thanks. It’s a beautiful today. I think ________________ home.

3. We’re out of milk and I need some for the children.
   Okay. ______________ to the store and get some.

4. I just finished writing my brother a letter. Are you going to the post office now?
   No, I’m not. _______________ it for you in the morning.

5. These flowers look very dry.
   Okay. _______________ them in a few minutes.

6. Ken phoned while you were out.
   Okay. _______________ him back after I finish my lunch.

B. We often use “will” for future predictions when we use the word “probably”.

For each of the situations below, predict something that will probably happen or something that will probably not happen.

Ex. Bob is going to take his driver’s test tomorrow. He didn’t practice.
   __He’ll probably fail.  or  He probably won’t pass.__

1. It’s raining. George doesn’t have an umbrella.
   ________________________________________________________________

2. Andy has a very bad cold.
   ________________________________________________________________

3. Nora didn’t sleep well last night.
   ________________________________________________________________

4. Phil loves movies. There is a new movie playing at the theater tonight.
   ________________________________________________________________

5. Jan ate too much dessert last night and now she has a stomachache.
   ________________________________________________________________
Future – “Going To” and “Will” – Yes/No and Information Questions

A. Practice making questions and giving short answers in the future tense.

Ex. Are you going to buy a new car?
   Yes, I am. (I’m going to buy a new car.)

1. ____________________________________________
   ____________________________________________ (I’m not going to call him back this afternoon.)
2. ____________________________________________
   ____________________________________________ (They won’t be at school tomorrow.)
3. ____________________________________________
   ____________________________________________ (They are going to play soccer next week.)
4. ____________________________________________
   ____________________________________________ (We’re going to visit our aunt next summer.)
5. ____________________________________________
   ____________________________________________ (He is going to graduate next spring.)

B. Use the correct question word (who, what, how old, where, why,) and the future tense to make information questions. The underlined words are the answers to the questions.

1. ____________________________________________
   She is going to wear her new blue dress to the party.
2. ____________________________________________
   He’ll be 21 on his next birthday.
3. ____________________________________________
   I’m going to take my umbrella because it looks like it’s going to rain.
4. ____________________________________________
   They’re going to meet on the corner.
5. ____________________________________________
   The boss is going to be at the meeting.
# Future Tense – “Going To” Vs. “Will”

Review the different uses of “going to” and “will” below before completing the exercise that follows.

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<td><strong>predictions when there is something in the present that indicates what will happen in the future</strong></td>
<td><strong>often used with the following words:</strong> <em>probably, I think, I don’t think, I’m sure, maybe</em></td>
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<td>Look at the sky. There’s going to be a storm.</td>
<td>He’ll probably stay home tonight.</td>
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<td>I’m sure I’ll like his new girlfriend.</td>
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<td>What are you going to do next year?</td>
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<td><strong>preconceived plans, arrangements</strong></td>
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<td><strong>used for offers, requests, promises</strong></td>
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<td>I’ll help you carry those heavy bags.</td>
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<td>Will you please lock the door?</td>
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<td>I promise I’ll call when we get there.</td>
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<td><strong>agreeing or refusing to do something</strong></td>
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<td>I’m mad at Bob. I won’t help him.</td>
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Directions: Complete the following sentences using the correct form of “going to” or “will” with the verb provided. Be prepared to explain the reason for your choice. (Remember that sometimes you can use either “going to” or “will”.)

1. Sam feels sick. He ____________ (stay) home from work tomorrow.
2. I ________________ (finish) my homework later tonight.
3. I left my wallet at home. That’s okay. I ____________ (lend) you some money.
4. The sky is very dark. It _______________ (rain).
5. What time _________ he ______________ (meet) you tomorrow?
6. Frank _________________ (take) a two week holiday next year.
7. That box looks very heavy. I ____________ (help) you carry it.
8. I bought some paint because I _________________(paint) my apartment.
9. He ______________ (wear) a black tuxedo to the wedding. What ____________ (wear) you?
10. Why did you take the sugar out of the cupboard? I ______________ (bake) a cake.
11. They took money out of the bank because they ________________ (buy) a new TV for their daughter.
12. It’s very hot in here. I ________________ (open) the window for you.
13. The weatherman says it ________________ (be) a beautiful day tomorrow. I think I ____________ (go) to the beach.
14. Your car engine doesn’t sound very good. It sounds like it ________________ (die).
15. We probably ________________ (not/go) to the party next week.
16. “Can I please talk to the manager?”
   “He ________________ (be) with you in a moment.”
17. The plane ________________ (arrive) on time.
18. The Andersons went to the travel agent yesterday. They ________________ (buy) their tickets tomorrow.
19. We ________________ (see) that new movie tonight. Do you want to come with us?
20. Allan ________________ (get) up early tomorrow so he can go fishing.
21. I ________________ (help) you with your work tomorrow.
22. “Do you have any holiday plans?”
   “Yes. We ________________ (take) a Mediterranean cruise.”
23. “Ronnie can’t drive me to the airport.”
   “That’s okay. I ________________ (take) you.
24. I don’t think I ________________ (be) able to come to your party.
Future Time in Time Clauses

Reminder: You must use the simple present tense in a **future time clause**. Time clauses begin with words such as **before, after, when, as soon as, until**.

Ex. I’m going to eat **before** I leave for work. **Before** I leave for work, I’m going to eat.

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Complete the following sentences with the correct form of the verb provided. Underline the time clause.

1. I’m going to eat lunch at 12:30. After I _____________(eat) lunch, I _____________ (take) a nap.

2. As soon as it _____________(stop) raining, I _____________ (walk) to the store.

3. I _____________(lend) you this book as soon as I _____________(finish) it.

4. As soon as the chairman _____________(arrive), everyone _____________(sit) down.

5. When the class _____________(be) over, Marilyn _____________(go) shopping.

6. They _____________(visit) many museums when they _____________(go) to Europe.

7. I _____________(finish) this letter before I _____________(buy) stamps.

8. After they _____________(do) their homework, they _____________(watch) TV.

9. She _____________(take) a hot bath as soon as she _____________(get) home.

10. I _____________(pay) you back the money I borrowed as soon as I _____________(get) my paycheck.

11. He _____________(stay) home until he _____________(feel) better.

12. We _____________(have) the birthday cake when we _____________(finish) dinner.

13. As soon as she _____________(come), we _____________(eat) dinner.

14. She _____________(iron) the clothes after she _____________(wash) them.

15. I _____________(love) you until I _____________(die).

16. I _____________(apply for) a new passport before I _____________(buy) a ticket.
Future Tense Review – Find Someone Who……

Interview your classmates. Walk around the class and find someone ….

1. who is going to visit a friend tonight. ________________________
   ___________________________________________________________________________________

2. who is going to walk home from school today. ________________________
   ___________________________________________________________________________________

3. who isn’t going to watch TV tonight. ________________________
   ___________________________________________________________________________________

4. who will probably leave the city this weekend. ________________________
   ___________________________________________________________________________________

5. who is going to get a hair cut this week. ________________________
   ___________________________________________________________________________________

6. who will have a birthday next month. ________________________
   ___________________________________________________________________________________

7. who thinks it’ll be a nice day tomorrow. ________________________
   ___________________________________________________________________________________

8. who is going to buy a present for someone this week. ________________________
   ___________________________________________________________________________________

9. who is going to buy groceries after school today. ________________________
   ___________________________________________________________________________________

10. is going to have something to eat as soon as the class finishes. ________________________
    ___________________________________________________________________________________