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ABSTRACT

In this presentation you can review the different ways to talk about the future. An intention is something that we would like to do in the future. These are general plans for the future.

An arrangement is a specific plan that we have for the future. We have taken real steps to be sure we achieve this plan.

KEY WORDS:

**Intention
Arrangement**

Intentions

An intention is something that we would like to do in the future. These are general plans for the future.

When we are talking about an intention, we have not taken specific, concrete steps to achieve the action. We are just talking about something that we hope to do in the future.

When we want to talk about our intentions in the future, we must use the future with going to.

Bill is so tired! He is going to take a nice, long vacation this year.
(Bill doesn't have any specific plan for a vacation. He just knows he needs one!)

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I'm going to learn to swim and dive so I won't feel scared anymore!
(He doesn't know when or how he will learn, but he would like to.)

**Ron says he is going to start eating healthy someday.
(He has no specific diet plan or a date to change the way he eats.)**

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Arrangements

An arrangement is a specific plan that we have for the future. We have taken real steps to be sure we achieve this plan.

For example, we have called to reserve a table at a restaurant or we have bought a plane ticket.

When we are talking about arrangements, we use the present progressive.

Christina is meeting Melanie for coffee this afternoon. They reserved a table at their favorite café.

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(They made specific plans and reserved the table ahead of time.)





Denny is starting a new job on Monday. He just had his final interview. He's excited!

(Denny has made all the arrangements at the office and signed a contract.)

**Maggie and Ginger are going to the vet this afternoon at 6 o'clock.
It's time for Ginger's annual check-up!**

(They already have an appointment with the vet.)



The difference between an intention and an arrangement is the amount of planning we have done.

If we only have a general idea of something we would like to do in the future, it is an intention. In this case, we must use the future with going to.

If we have specific plans, reservations, or an appointment, we are talking about an arrangement. In this case, we must use the present progressive.

Cibergrafía:

Intentions: <http://www.really-learn-english.com/intentions-arrangements-future.html>

Pictures:

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