

#### ACADEMIA DE IDIOMAS

• Topic:
Be going to/ will differences.

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# Be going to vs will

- Resumen (Abstract):
- Most native speakers use these two interchangeably, "will", also referred as simple future, has some grammatical differences from "going to" (planned future).
- We will identify some examples to make our ideas clear.
- Key words: be going to vs will, future will, future going to, be going to, will





#### Which one is correct?

- Jesús is going to eat a sandwich?
   or
  - Jesús will eat a sándwich?

The hotel is going to burn out.

or

• The hotel will burn out.





### Will

We use it to show what we think will happen in the future (prediction).

#### Examples:

Alex will be very rich when he graduates from university.

 I think, Mary's father will not buy her another computer.





## Will

Another use: Sudden/spontaneous decisions.

- Examples:
- Conversation 1
- A: Someone is knocking on the door?
- B: I will open and see who is there.
- Conversation 2
- A: You can't drive, you are drunk!
- B: Ok, I will take a taxi





# Be going to

It is used to express a prediction based on evidence. (It is an obvious future event).

Manuel is going to be in hospital for a long time. He suffered serious injuries.

My sister is going to win this competition, she has been training so hard.



## Be going to

#### It is also used to talk about plans or intentions

- Examples:
- Jenny is going to have a big party tonight. (It is a plan)
- (Conversation)
- A: Why are you so happy?
- B: Because I am going to travel to Cancun next weekend.



### Which one is correct?

Jesús is going to eat a sandwich?

or

• Jesús will eat a sándwich? Correct, It is a sudden decisión.

• The hotel is going to burn out. Correct, prediction based on evidence.

or

• The hotel will burn out.



## Reference

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