



## § 1 - Talking about the future with will: Statements and negative statements

In English we can use different verb forms to talk about something in the future.



### We use the will-future...

- (1) ...when we make **a spontaneous decision, an offer or a promise**
- (2) ...when we make **a prediction or assumption** (we talk about things we cannot control: *I think, I believe, I expect, I hope, perhaps, probably...*)
- (3) ...when we want to say that **something will definitely happen**

(1) I promise! I'll visit you in London! - (2) I'm sure Emily will like her new bedroom. I think the weather will be hot in Greece. You'll probably find the song boring. - (3) Tom will be 15 next month.

#### long forms

*I will write.*  
*You will write.*  
*He - She - It will write.*  
*We will write.*  
*You will write.*  
*They will write.*

#### short forms

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