

# 19 El futuro (2): will y shall

Expresamos el futuro con **will** e infinitivo:

*I will stop work at six.* (Dejaré de trabajar a las 6.)



AFIRMATIVA (contracción)	NEGATIVA (contracción)	INTERROGATIVA
I <b>will go</b> (I'll go)	I <b>will not go</b> (I won't go)	<b>Will I go?</b>
You <b>will go</b> (You'll go)	You <b>will not go</b> (You won't go)	<b>Will you go?</b>
He/She/It <b>will go</b> (He'll/She'll/It'll go)	He/She/It <b>will not go</b> (He/She/It won't go)	<b>Will he/she/it go?</b>
We <b>will go</b> (We'll go)	We <b>will not go</b> (We won't go)	<b>Will we go?</b>
You <b>will go</b> (You'll go)	You <b>will not go</b> (You won't go)	<b>Will you go?</b>
They <b>will go</b> (They'll go)	They <b>will not go</b> (They won't go)	<b>Will they go?</b>

Cuando el sujeto está en primera persona (**I/We**), a veces se utiliza **shall** en lugar de **will** para expresar el futuro:

*We **shall** be there at two o'clock.* (Estaremos allí a las dos.)

NO: *Shall you wait for us?* (¿Nos esperarás?)

Utilizamos **will** + infinitivo para:

Predecir el futuro:	My father <b>will be</b> fifty years old in the year 2007. ( <i>Mi padre tendrá 50 años en el año 2007.</i> )
Expresar decisiones tomadas en el acto, rápidamente:	Are you free tonight? There's a good film at the cinema. ( <i>¿Estás libre esta noche? Ponen una buena película en el cine.</i> ) Yes, I'll <b>go</b> with you. ( <i>Sí, iré contigo.</i> ) NO: I <b>go</b> with you.
Expresar el tiempo futuro:	He'll <b>phone</b> you when he arrives at the hotel. ( <i>Te llamará cuando llegue al hotel.</i> )

Utilizamos **I'll** + infinitivo para:

Ofrecernos a hacer algo por alguien:	I'll <b>make</b> you a cup of coffee. ( <i>¿Te hago una taza de café?</i> ) NO: I <b>make</b> you a cup of coffee. También se utiliza la expresión <b>Shall I</b> + infinitivo para el mismo contexto: <b>Shall I make</b> you a cup of coffee?
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## Ejercicios

**A** Escribe estas frases de nuevo utilizando las contracciones de **will**.

- I will contact you soon. *I'll contact you soon.* .....
- 1 They will not phone her family. ....
- 2 She will play tennis every weekend. ....

- 3 You will work as a secretary this summer. ....
- 4 He will not see his ex-wife again. ....
- 5 We will not write them letters from our new home. ....
- 6 It will snow heavily in the mountains. ....

**B** Completa las frases con **will** o **won't** y un verbo de la tabla. Utiliza las contracciones si es posible.

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- 0 A: Are you coming to the cinema on Sunday?  
B: I'm not sure. I *'ll phone* you on Saturday.
- 1 A: Don't change your clothes now. We ..... late.  
B: No, we won't. We ..... a taxi.
- 2 A: George is going to have a party at the weekend.  
B: Why?  
A: It's his birthday. He ..... thirty on Saturday.
- 3 A: She ..... the tennis match tomorrow.  
B: Why not?  
A: She ..... mistakes. She always makes mistakes in important matches.
- 4 A: ..... Steve ..... the work tonight?  
B: No, he won't finish. He ..... time.

**C** Corrige las siguientes frases.

- 0 It's late. I will drive you to school.  
*It's late. I'll drive you to school.*
- 1 We will are not here when you get up.  
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- 2 The postman is at the door. I answer.  
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- 3 She will is very tired after her gym session.  
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- 4 They'll drive their new car to work?  
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- 5 We will aren't at home at the weekend.  
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- 6 Are you lost? Don't worry! I show you the way.  
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